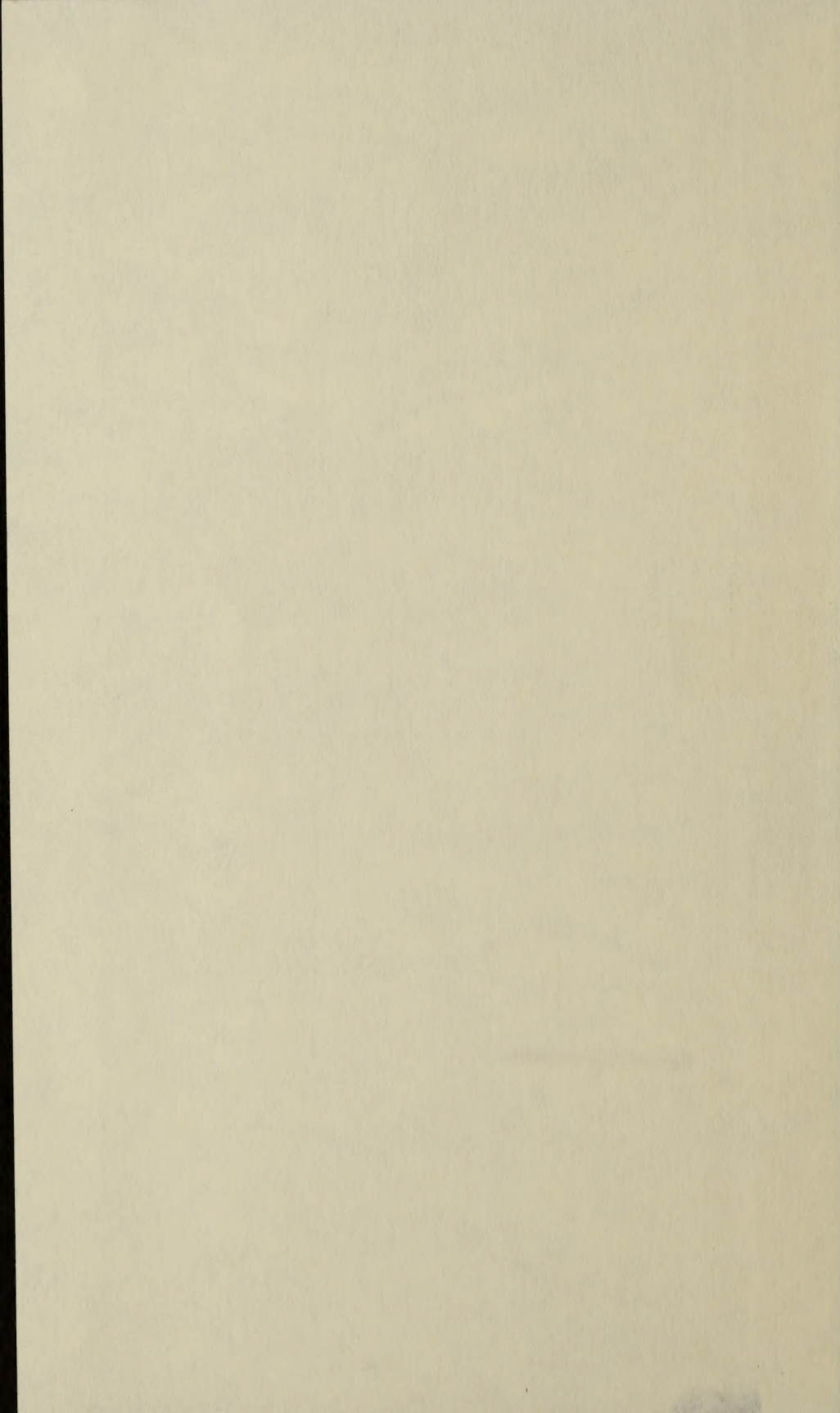


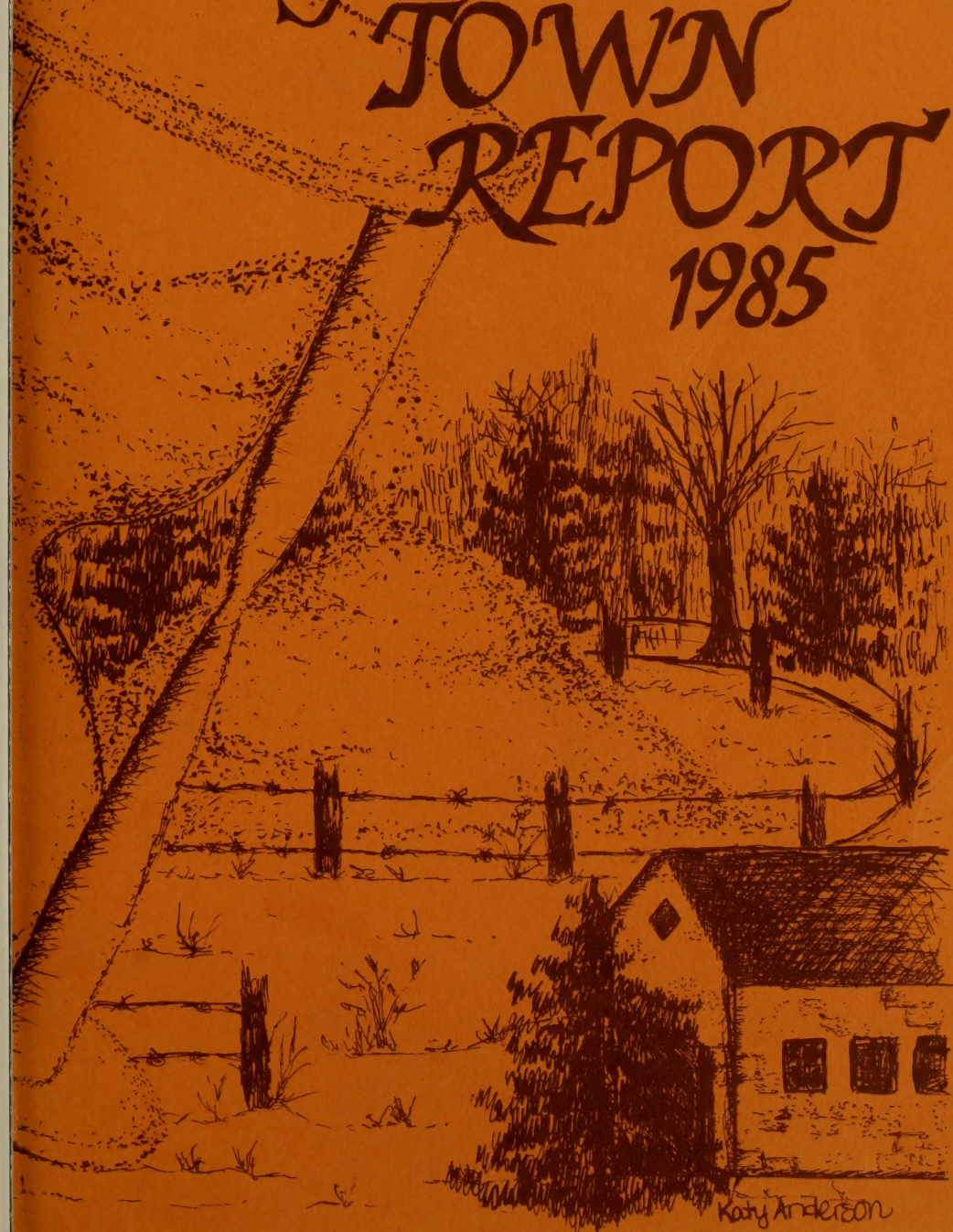
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Kathy Anderson

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- Assessors Daily 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
- Board of Health Noon-3:00 p.m. Daily
1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30-9:00 p.m.
- Planning Board 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30-9:00 p.m.
- Selectmen Daily 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Reg. Meetings: Tuesday 7:00-9:00 p.m.
- Tax Collector & Daily 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Treasurer 1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
- Town Clerk Daily 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
- Veterans' Services Daily 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Monday thru Thursday
- Water Department Daily 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:30-9:00 p.m.

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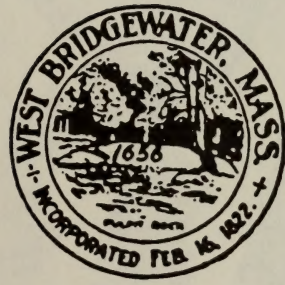
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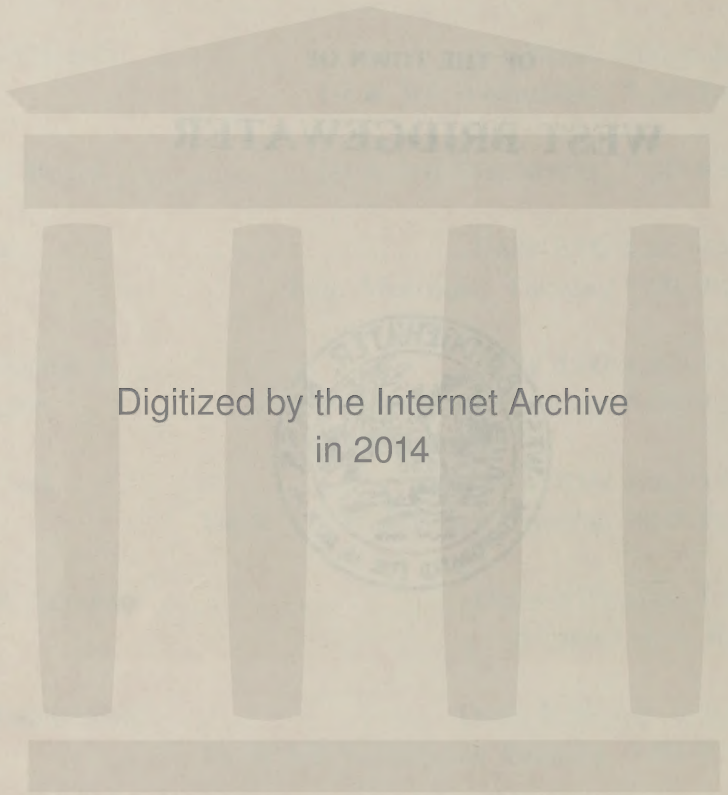
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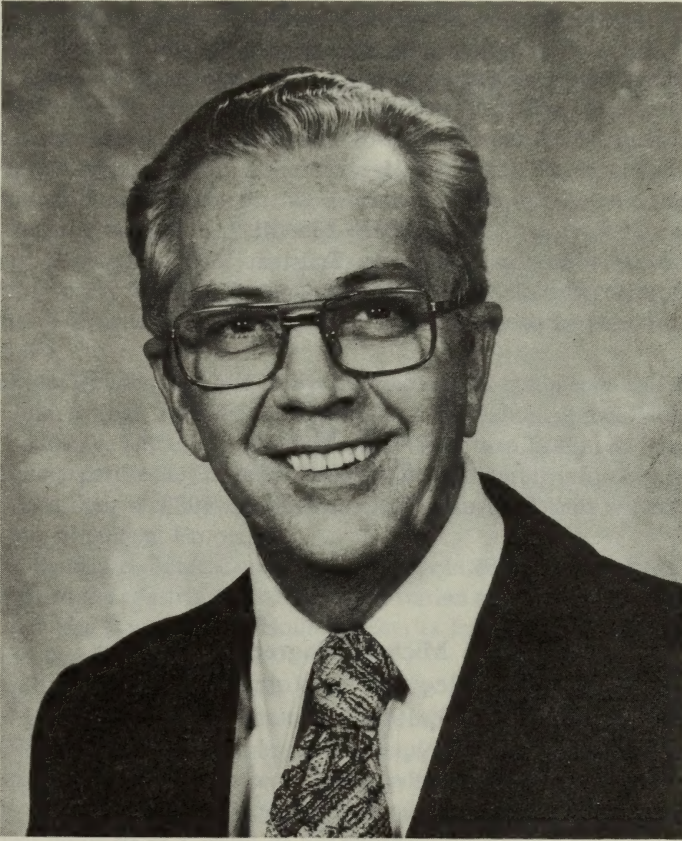
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Board of Selectmen

March 16, 1974–March 19, 1977

April 14, 1979–April 13, 1985

Planning Board

May 7, 1971–March 20, 1974

Finance Committee

May 1, 1964–1970

Selectman's Selectman

In Memoriam

Dr. Ralph Frellick

Selectman March 5, 1945

Resigned August 4, 1947

Winfield Leavitt

Library Trustee

April 20, 1943-1959

Joseph F. McCann

Tax Collector, 1971

Treasurer/Collector, 1972-1982

Michael Pingree

Registrar of Voters

January 29, 1964-February 14, 1985

Report of the Board of Selectmen

The 164th Annual Report of the Board of Selectmen is herewith presented in accordance with M.G.L., Chapter 40, Section 49.

In August, 1985, the Town of West Bridgewater and the Old Colony Water Pollution Control District reached an agreement that the District would release the town in the amount of two separate executions, \$30,729.81 and \$13,242.32 for a total of \$43,972.13 together with any interest on a judgment entered by the Court on 12/27/83. The District agreed to endorse said executions as having been paid in full and return them to the town for filing in the Plymouth Superior Court. The Town agreed to release the District from any liability to the Town for any distribution of funds to which the Town may have been entitled with respect to said assessments. The Board wishes to thank former Selectman Doris Haight for her assistance in helping to settle this matter.

Under the provisions of the Federal Revenue Sharing Law, an audit was performed by Anthony V. Sulmonte, C.P.A., the results of which are printed in this Annual Report.

As required every five years by statute, the Board of Selectmen perambulated town boundary lines. This action has been certified in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 42, Sections 2-4.

A Municipal Building Use and Needs Committee was established and the following appointed: John Bottini, Joseph Kennedy, Richard McMahan, Joseph McMorrow, Sr., and Henry Podolsky. The Board wishes to thank Chairman Bottini and his Committee for the time and expertise they have given to the Town gathering information and reporting to the Board their recommendations as to the many problems we have to address concerning our Municipal Properties.

A Police Station Building Committee was appointed to represent the Town in all matters relating to the construction of the police station addition. Those appointed were as follows: Leonard Bucci, George Hollertz, Charles Johnson, William Johnson, David Meade and Robert Smith.

The Board of Selectmen wish to thank all who worked so hard during and in the aftermath of Hurricane Gloria. To name a few or all would be difficult. We as a Board say "Hats Off!" to all department heads and employees and volunteers. To the townspeople, thank you for your patience. It was a trying experience for all. The Town will be in receipt of a sizable check from the Federal Government to defray some of the costs the town incurred as a result of the storm.

As the Town realized the development of its Business and Industrial zones, so shall it realize a boon to its tax base. Of particular note this year is the Brockton Enterprise locating off Walnut Street due to a zoning change voted by the townspeople. Eastern Edison will be breaking ground on West Center Street in April, 1986 and will add greatly to our tax base.

We must however, be ever mindful, that as we grow, we must also provide those departments, who will service the safety and welfare of all people housed in West Bridgewater, the wherewithal to provide adequate services to all concerned.

On June 15, 1985, the West Bridgewater Historical Commission held a celebration in conjunction with the Plymouth County Tercentenary. They provided a day to remember, turning River Street and adjacent land into scenes of West Bridgewater's historic past. To you all, thank you for a delightful experience.

On July 20, 1985, in observance of Prisoner of War Week, a P.O.W.M.I.A. Flag donated by the West Bridgewater Police Association was dedicated at a ceremony held at Central Square. The flag was raised under the "Stars & Stripes Forever" flag and will fly as a reminder of those lost and yet to be returned to us.

We thank all departments and boards for their assistance and support and look forward to a productive year ahead. We hope to continue to provide the townspeople the best services possible while still under the constraints of Proposition 2½.

Board of Selectmen
Eldon F. Moreira, *Chairman*
Judith A. Kinney, *Clerk*
Charles A. Pickering

Perambulation of Town bounds

The Board of Selectmen certify under penalty of perjury that they have perambulated and located the boundary markers of the Town of West Bridgewater on 18 November 1985 in accordance with the stipulations of M.G.L., Chapter 42, Section 2 (amended 1973).

The following Town Corner Locations were examined:

1. **Bridgewater-Raynham-West Bridgewater Corner** at about
North Latitude $41^{\circ} 58' 57.417''$
West Longitude $71^{\circ} 03' 16.890''$
A stone found located about 650 feet southerly of Maple Street (not observed due to swamp conditions). Road stone line marker observed to be intact.
2. **Easton-Raynham-West Bridgewater Corner** at about
North Latitude $41^{\circ} 59' 05.847''$
West Longitude $71^{\circ} 03' 18.820''$
A field stone found with crow foot cut located about 200 feet northerly of Maple Street. (Not observed due to swamp conditions.) Roadstone line marker observed to be intact.
3. **Brockton-Easton-West Bridgewater Corner** at about
North Latitude $42^{\circ} 02' 58.587''$
West Longitude $71^{\circ} 04' 12.390''$
A granite cut stone monument found in good condition and marked 1985 west of Turnpike Street.
4. **Brockton-West Bridgewater Corner 2** at about
North Latitude $42^{\circ} 03' 17.977''$
West Longitude $71^{\circ} 01' 34.650''$
A granite cut stone monument found lying on the ground near the locus amid debris fill and excavated soil adjacent and southerly of Southworth Avenue. Stone found was marked 1985.
5. **Brockton-West Bridgewater Corner 1** at about
North Latitude $42^{\circ} 02' 31.497''$
West Longitude $71^{\circ} 01' 24.390''$
A granite cut stone monument found in good condition and marked 1985. The monument is located westerly off North Elm Street and on the southerly side of a golf course.
6. **Brockton-East Bridgewater-West Bridgewater Corner** at about
North Latitude $42^{\circ} 02' 47.297''$
West Longitude $70^{\circ} 59' 15.630''$
A granite cut stone monument found in good condition and marked 1985. The monument is located among buildings in a park easterly of Plain Street.

7. **Bridgewater-East Bridgewater-West Bridgewater Corner** at about

North Latitude $42^{\circ} 00' 39.247''$

West Longitude $70^{\circ} 58' 48.360''$

A granite cut stone monument found in good condition and marked 1985. The monument is located adjacent to the northeasterly side of East Street.

8. **Bridgewater-West Bridgewater Corner 1** at about

North Latitude $42^{\circ} 00' 26.267''$

West Longitude $70^{\circ} 58' 45.480''$

A granite cut stone monument found in good condition and marked 1985. The monument is located in a junk yard southeast of Wall Street.

9. **Bridgewater-West Bridgewater Corner 2** at about

North Latitude $42^{\circ} 00' 13.707''$

West Longitude $70^{\circ} 59' 28.080''$

A granite cut stone monument found broken off at the base and marked 1985. The monument is located at the northeast side of South Main Street.

10. **Bridgewater-West Bridgewater Corner 3** at about

North Latitude $41^{\circ} 59' 52.657''$

West Longitude $71^{\circ} 00' 11.610''$

A granite cut stone monument found in good condition at the southwest side of South Street marked 1985.

The Board recommends monument number 4, Brockton-West Bridgewater Corner 2, be restored before it is permanently lost.

Eldon F. Moreira, *Chairman*

Judith A. Kinney, *Clerk*

Charles A. Pickering

Board of Selectmen

Statistics Of the Town of West Bridgewater

1980—Federal Census—7152

1985—Town Census—6737

Total Registered Voters—3732

| | | |
|----------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| Republican 522 | PRECINCT 1 Democrat 447 | Unenrolled 819 |
|----------------|----------------------------|----------------|

| | | |
|----------------|----------------------------|-----------------|
| Republican 473 | PRECINCT 2 Democrat 438 | Unenrolled 1040 |
|----------------|----------------------------|-----------------|

Number of Residences—2106

Area of Town—15.75 Square Miles

59.33 Miles of Water Mains

Local Road Mileage 62

COUNCILLOR—FIRST DISTRICT
John Britland

SENATOR—2nd PLYMOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT
Edward P. Kirby

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT
10th PLYMOUTH DISTRICT
Michael C. Creedon

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
11th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
Brian Donnelly

1986

Town Meeting—April 14

Town Election—April 19

Town Officers for 1985

MODERATOR

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|------------------|---------|--------------|
| John C. Eldridge | 1985 | 1986 |

TOWN CLERK

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|---------------|---------|--------------|
| Anna E. Brown | 1985 | 1988 |

SELECTMEN

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|----------------------|---------|--------------|
| Charles A. Pickering | 1983 | 1986 |
| Eldon F. Moreira | 1984 | 1987 |
| Judith A. Kinney | 1985 | 1988 |

ASSESSORS

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|------------------|---------|--------------|
| DeSales J. Heath | 1983 | 1986 |
| Irving W. Puffer | 1984 | 1987 |
| Gary A. Boyd | 1985 | 1988 |

TREASURER/COLLECTOR

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|-----------------------|---------|--------------|
| Elizabeth L. Zamaitis | 1984 | 1987 |

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|------------------------------------|---------|--------------|
| Bruce Edson (Resigned 9/27/85) | 1983 | 1986 |
| Barbara Perkins (Resigned 2/15/85) | 1983 | 1986 |
| Laura Swanson | 1985 | 1986 |
| Herbert P. Billett (appointed) | 1985 | 1986 |
| Robert Wayne Legge | 1984 | 1987 |
| James Grandfield | 1984 | 1987 |
| Kathleen Fenstermaker | 1985 | 1988 |
| Helen Millet | 1985 | 1988 |

REGIONAL—VOCATIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|-----------------|---------|--------------|
| Eugene Kostecki | 1984 | 1987 |

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|--------------------|---------|--------------|
| Thomas F. Kelley | 1983 | 1986 |
| Joseph A. Kennedy | 1983 | 1986 |
| Leo Cronin | 1984 | 1987 |
| Linda Santry | 1984 | 1987 |
| Paul Curnutte | 1985 | 1988 |
| Betty Alden Miller | 1985 | 1988 |

WATER COMMISSIONERS

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|------------------|---------|--------------|
| Donald N. Davock | 1983 | 1986 |
| John W. Noyes | 1984 | 1987 |
| Edward G. Asack | 1985 | 1988 |

TREE WARDEN

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|--------------------|---------|--------------|
| Thomas B. MacQuinn | 1983 | 1986 |

CONSTABLES

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|------------------|---------|--------------|
| Edwin T. Gibson | 1983 | 1986 |
| Raymond L. Silva | 1983 | 1986 |

BOARD OF HEALTH

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|------------------|---------|--------------|
| Marie T. Bagley | 1984 | 1986 |
| Ronald C. Broman | 1984 | 1987 |
| Edward F. Cruz | 1985 | 1988 |

PLANNING BOARD

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|----------------------|---------|--------------|
| D. Christopher Cross | 1981 | 1986 |
| Wilfred Howard | 1982 | 1987 |
| Grete Bohannon | 1985 | 1988 |
| Stephen P. Wood | 1984 | 1989 |
| Howard Anderson | 1985 | 1990 |

HOUSING AUTHORITY

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|------------------------------|---------|--------------|
| Robert Kellie | 1981 | 1986 |
| Albert Greiner | 1982 | 1987 |
| Marion H. Bartell (By State) | 1983 | 1988 |
| Richard Williams | 1984 | 1989 |
| Carl R. Bystrom | 1985 | 1990 |

Officers Appointed by the Selectmen

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Arthur E. Chaves

ADMINISTRATOR OF INSURANCE

Eldon F. Moreira

Ronald P. Gerhart

APPEAL BOARD

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Henry Podolsky | 1983 | 1986 |
| Harry G. Pierson, Jr. | 1984 | 1987 |
| George O. Merritt | 1984 | 1987 |
| William E. Turner, Jr. | 1985 | 1989 |
| Harry Ketler | 1985 | 1990 |

Associate Members:

| | | |
|-------------------|------|------|
| Joseph H. Kameese | 1983 | 1986 |
| James Wolfsberg | 1985 | 1988 |

ARTS LOTTERY COUNCIL

| | |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| Paul R. Brown | Donald Adams |
| Patrick B. Bell | Joseph Linehan |
| Lawrence Lyons | Lorraine A. Piver |
| Elizabeth Muckehaler | Cheryl Adams |

BROCKTON AREA MENTAL HEALTH & RETARDATION REPRESENTATIVE

Lana Robbins

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Robert Robichaud

BY LAW STUDY COMMITTEE

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|-------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Grete M. Bohannon | 1984 | 1987 |
| Donald A. Kennedy | 1984 | 1987 |
| Joseph McMorrow | 1985 | 1988 |

CABLE TELEVISION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|----------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Herbert P. Billett | 1984 | 1986 |
| Louis R. Cabana, Jr. | 1984 | 1986 |
| Peter W. Turner | 1984 | 1987 |
| Samuel Feinberg | 1984 | 1987 |
| James L. Grandfield | 1985 | 1988 |
| Richard J. Bagley | 1985 | 1988 |

CHRISTMAS DECORATING COMMITTEE

Jeanne Rooney

Mary Leonard

Marie Langer

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|----------------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Michael Manugian, Director | 1985 | 1986 |
| Ronald P. Snell, Deputy Director | 1985 | 1986 |

CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY

Artemis Bucci

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|--------------------|-----------|--------------|
| John A. Dacey | 1983 | 1986 |
| Hugh R. Hurley | 1983 | 1986 |
| Thomas J. Driscoll | 1984 | 1987 |
| Joseph Souza | 1984 | 1987 |
| Howard M. Hayward | 1984 | 1987 |
| Craig Harding | 1985 | 1988 |
| Linda Green | 1985 | 1988 |

COUNCIL ON AGING

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Lloyd A. Sears | 1983 | 1986 |
| Winifred H. Manzer | 1983 | 1986 |
| Doris Sandrock | 1985 | 1986 |
| Kenneth B. Hollis | 1984 | 1987 |
| Samuel Feinberg | 1984 | 1987 |
| Marjorie E. MacDonald | 1984 | 1987 |
| Virginia T. Michaels | 1984 | 1987 |
| Joseph McMorrow | 1985 | 1988 |
| Beth I. Burgess | 1985 | 1988 |
| David J. Cohen | 1985 | 1988 |
| Mildred H. Lucier | 1985 | 1988 |
| Edwin S. Grover | 1985 | 1987 |

DATA PROCESSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

| | | |
|-----------------------|--------------|------------------|
| William R. Brown, Jr. | Craig Morris | Everett B. Tufts |
|-----------------------|--------------|------------------|

DOG OFFICER

Julie A. Vivace

DRURY BELL COMMITTEE

| | |
|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Marjorie E. MacDonald | Charles H. Johnson |
| Charles A. Pickering | Eldon F. Moreira |

ENERGY COORDINATOR

George Miller

FENCE VIEWERS

| | | |
|--------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Joseph Souza | Marilyn Raleigh | Hugh Hurley |
|--------------|-----------------|-------------|

FIELD DRIVERS

George Kinney

Howard A. Anderson

George E. Richardson

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Charles Dyke

HANDICAPPED COMMISSION

Russell Bump

James C. Barber

Virginia Michaels

HAZADOUS WASTE COORDINATOR

Charles Dyke

HERITAGE CAPSULE CUSTODIANS

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Charles A. Pickering | 1984 | 1986 |
| Marjorie E. MacDonald | 1984 | 1987 |
| Kenneth A. Turner | 1985 | 1988 |

HERRING WARDEN

Philip C. Tuck

DEPUTY HERRING WARDENS

Thomas B. MacQuinn

Joseph Souza

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|--------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Lawrence D. Conant | 1983 | 1986 |
| Nancy J. Bell | 1983 | 1986 |
| Lucia Marcotte | 1984 | 1987 |
| Karen Hofman | 1984 | 1987 |
| Susan Cross | 1985 | 1988 |
| David Lacy | 1985 | 1988 |

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

| | Term Expires |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Donald I. MacIver | 1986 |
| Frank Miller | 1987 |
| David L. Churchill | 1988 |
| William E. Turner, Jr. | 1989 |
| Thomas Phelan | 1990 |

ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

| | |
|------------------|------|
| Charles Higgins | 1986 |
| Samuel Read, Jr. | 1987 |

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

| | Term Expires |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Carl E. Turner | 1986 |
| Joseph L. McMorrow, Sr. | 1987 |
| Robert L. Smith | 1988 |
| Madelyn T. Burke | 1989 |
| Donald L. MacIver | 1990 |

INSPECTOR OF WIRES

Albert Greiner

LOCKUP KEEPER

Walter Thayer

MEMORIAL FIELD COMMITTEE

| | | |
|---------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Robert Splitz | William R. Brown, Sr. | Thomas Roulstone |
|---------------|-----------------------|------------------|

MEMORIAL AND VETERANS' DAY COMMITTEE

| | |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| William R. Brown, Sr. | Emmet Miller |
| Francis J. Boyd | Alfred Luce |

MULTI-HEALTH SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

Madeline F. Fallon

OCPC AREA AGENCY ON AGING

| | |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| William R. Brown, Sr. | Kenneth Hollis, Alternate |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|

OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL, 3 yrs.

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|----------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Charles A. Pickering | 1983 | 1986 |

OLD COLONY ELDERLY SERVICES

| | |
|-------------------|------------------------|
| Edward C. Svenson | David Cohen, Alternate |
|-------------------|------------------------|

OLD COLONY TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

OLD COLONY OVERALL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
PROGRAM REPRESENTATIVE

George V. Hollertz, Jr.

PARKING CLERK

Judith A. Kinney

PIC DESIGNEE

PLYMOUTH COUNTY ADVISORY BUDGET DESIGNEE

Eldon F. Moreira

PLUMBING AND GAS INSPECTOR

Joseph Donovan

POLICE STATION BUILDING COMMITTEE

Leonard Bucci

David Meade

George V. Hollertz

William Johnson

Robert L. Smith

Charles H. Johnson

CHIEF OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Ervin G. Lothrop

PEST CONTROL SUPERINTENDENT, 3 yrs.

Thomas B. MacQuinn

RECREATION COMMISSION

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Mary Lou Jenness | 1981 | 1986 |
| Sandra Kominsky | 1985 | 1987 |
| Marie Connolly | 1983 | 1988 |
| Diane Jollymore | 1985 | 1989 |
| Joseph Gareri | 1985 | 1990 |

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|-----------------|-----------|--------------|
| John Sillars | 1985 | 1986 |
| Lance R. Ohlson | 1984 | 1987 |
| Francis J. Boyd | 1985 | 1988 |

REPRESENTATIVE TO SELF-HELP, INC.

Charles Baker

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Donald E. Newman

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Warren E. Turner

Warren A. Turner, Deputy

TENNIS COMMITTEE

Donald A. Fisher

Nancy M. Consolazio

Frank Miller

Marianne Lorrain

Marlene A. Howell

TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

Thomas B. MacQuinn

Craig Harding

Richard E. Norris

VETERAN'S AGENT

Armen Amerigian

Appointments by Moderator

COMMITTEE TO APPOINT A FINANCE COMMITTEE

Warren E. Turner
Marion Loughman
Paul Sheedy
Henry Bishop
Michael Manugian

STREET LIGHTING COMMITTEE

John B. Sillars
Arthur Steptoe
Raymond L. Silva
John Daly
James F. Purpura

MUNICIPAL BUILDING NEEDS AND USE COMMITTEE

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|-------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Joseph L. McMorrow, Sr. | 1985 | 1986 |
| Joseph A. Kennedy | 1985 | 1987 |
| Henry Podolsky | 1985 | 1987 |
| John F. Bottini | 1985 | 1988 |
| Richard H. McMahon | 1985 | 1988 |

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT PLANNING COMMITTEE

Donald A. Fisher
Thomas F. Kelley
William P. Bystrom

Appointments by Board of Health

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Leo F. Moroni

BOARD OF HEALTH PHYSICIAN

Dr. Joseph F. Calitri

BURIAL AGENT

Anna E. Brown

Appointments by Chief of Fire Department

DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF

Leonard T. Hunt

DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS

Paul R. Lanoue
Leonard T. Hunt
Richard W. Gibson
Charles A. Dyke
Thomas B. MacQuinn
Allen A. Breer
Paul Golder
Thomas Dunlevy

FINANCE COMMITTEE

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|---------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Robert L. Smith | 1983 | 1986 |
| Frederick A. McPeck | 1983 | 1986 |
| Cheryl F. Ohlson | 1983 | 1986 |
| Lawrence H. Ryan | 1984 | 1987 |
| Craig A. Morris | 1984 | 1987 |
| Joanne M. Kelley | 1984 | 1987 |
| James B. Howell | 1985 | 1988 |
| Charles J. Loycano | 1985 | 1988 |
| Joseph Cashman | 1985 | 1988 |

Annual Town Meeting

April 8, 1985

A meeting of which the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote in elections and town affairs were notified by warrant issued by the Bord of Selectmen and posted by Police Officer Philip C. Tuck in the absence of the regular constables, on April 1, 1985.

The meeting was called to order in the Junior-Senior High School Auditorium. Motion was made and seconded and unanimously voted to recess the meeting to the High School Gymnasium forthwith.

Meeting then called to order by the Moderator John Eldridge at 7:35 p.m. The High School Band, under the direction of Susan Coyle opened with the National Anthem. Pledge to the Flag was led by Charles Johnson. Invocation was given by Rev. Alfred Luce from W. Bridgewater Baptist Church.

Warrant was then read by Town Clerk, Anna E. Brown. 299 voters checked in at the door.

Meeting proceeded as follows:

Article 1. Voted: The reports of all Town Officers and committees be accepted as printed in the 1984 Town Report.

Article 2. Voted: The Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow in the anticipation of the Revenue of the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 1985, in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefore payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in Accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

Article 3. Voted: That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to enter into a contract or contracts with the Department of Public Works and the County Commissioners for the Construction and Maintenance of Public Highways for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 1985.

Article 4. Voted: To transfer the sum of \$2,712.62 from the County Dog Fund and the sum of \$6,867.50 from the Library State Aid Account to the Library Expense Account.

Article 5. Voted Unanimously: The salary of the following elected Town Officials for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 1985 be set at:

| | | | |
|---------------------|-----------|--------------------|-------------|
| Moderator | \$ 176.00 | Tree Warden | \$24,529.00 |
| Selectmen | 5,000.00 | Assessors | 5,837.00 |
| Town Clerk | 17,892.00 | Water Commissioner | 3,492.00 |
| Treasurer Collector | 22,441.00 | Board of Health | 1,307.00 |

The following committees to serve without pay:

Library Trustee, School Committee, Planning Board.

Article 6. Voted: The Town appropriate \$6,085,871.00 to defray town charges as recommended, said sum to be appropriated by salary and expense totals as printed and to meet such expenditures as follows:

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Insurance Casualty/group from Revenue Sharing | \$170,000.00 |
| From Water Revenue | 218,718.00 |

The following Budget was approved:

| | |
|---|------------------------|
| Moderator | 176.00 |
| Finance Committee | 100.00 |
| Selectmen | 36,710.00 |
| Town Accountant | 12,216.00 |
| Treasurer-Collector | 57,412.00 |
| Assessors | 21,306.00 |
| Law | 16,500.00 |
| Town Clerk | 24,142.00 |
| Election and Registration | 7,437.00 |
| Town Hall | 18,890.00 |
| Police | 605,637.00 |
| Fire Department & Station | 268,865.00 |
| Tree Warden & Parks | 71,656.00 |
| Sealer of Weights & Measures | 900.00 |
| Inspector of Wires | 1,160.00 |
| Inspector of Buildings | 16,175.00 |
| Inspector of Gas and Plumbing | 2,625.00 |
| Dog Officer | 17,125.00 |
| Civil Defense | 391.00 |
| Planning Board | 3,325.00 |
| Board of Appeals | 600.00 |
| Conservation Commission | 3,000.00 |
| * Board of Health | 26,007.00 |
| Highway | 333,738.00 |
| Veterans Services | 33,329.00 |
| * Town Schools | 3,511,195.00 |
| * Southeastern Regional Vocational Library | 77,115.00 86,695.00 |
| Industrial Development | 100.00 |
| Industrial Development Finance Authority | 100.00 |
| * Water—From Water Revenue | 178,188.00 |
| Recreation | 4,103.00 |
| * Council On Aging | 16,581.00 |
| Cable TV Committee | 250.00 |
| Street Lights | 50,000.00 |
| Contributory Retirement | 139,174.00 |
| Memorial & Veterans Day | 500.00 |
| Town Reports | 5,000.00 |
| Holiday Decorations | 500.00 |
| Reserve Fund | 40,000.00 |
| Memorial Field | 500.00 |
| By-Law Study Committee | 500.00 |
| * County Aid Agriculture | 125.00 |
| Tennis Courts | 200.00 |
| Historical Commission | 100.00 |
| Comm. on Handicapped Affairs | 200.00 |
| * Insurance | 230,000.00 |
| * Bonds & Interest | 227,440.00 |

* Special motion and votes taken:

Motion made and seconded to amend Board of Health Budget Item 23.8—Public Health Nurse to read 8,000.00. So voted, making total 26,007.00.

Motion made School Budget amount 3,460,000.00. Motion amended to read \$3,511,195.00. Upon Counted vote of Yes-206 No-48, amendment carried.

Motion made 77,115.00 be appropriated for Library in addition to State Aid Amount of 6,867.50 and County Dog Fund of 2,712.62 making total Library budget 86,695.00. So voted.

Motion made Total of 178,188.00 for Water Department be taken from Water Revenue. So voted.

Motion made the Budget amount of 16,581.00 for Council of Aging instead of the printed amount of 14,881.00. Upon vote motion carried.

Motion made of \$125.00 be appropriated for County Aid to Agriculture instead of the printed amount of \$100.00. So voted.

Motion made 230,000.00 be appropriated for insurance of which \$170,000.00 be taken from Revenue Sharing. So voted.

Motion made the sum of 227,440.00 be appropriated for Bonds & Interest and the sum of 40,530.00 be taken from Water Revenue. So voted.

Following amounts were voted for Out of State Travel: Town Clerk \$100.00; Police Department, \$500.00; Fire Dept. & Station, \$300.00; Library, \$300.00.

Article 7. Voted: To authorize the School Committee to maintain a State-Aided Vocational Program in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 74, General Laws, as amended and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,475.00.

Article 8. Moved: The Town vote to rezone an area presently classified as Industrial District to Residential District by deleting, specifically, the following from By-Law XXVI, Section 3, Paragraph C, which reads: "...That portion of land lying west of the AMVETS Memorial Highway bounded on the North by West Street, on the West by the Easton Line, and on the South by Bridgewater Line;" and insert in place thereof: "...That portion of land lying west of the AMVETS-Vietnam Memorial Highway, bounded on the north by West Street, on the west by the Town of Easton and on the south by West Center Street," and insert at the end of Section 3, paragraph B, Sub-paragraph (c): "and (d) on the Southside of West Center Street extending 1,000 feet southerly of a parallel to the southerly line of West Center Street between the Easton Town Line and the Westerly line of the AMVETS-Vietnam Memorial Highway."

Report made by the Planning Board recommending that it remain Industrial Zone.

After much discussion, upon a counted vote of Yes 48, No 152, Motion declared defeated.

Motion made to recess the meeting until Tuesday evening, April 9 at 7:30 p.m. at the High School Gymnasium. So voted.

Adjourned Town Meeting

April 9, 1985

Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m. by the Moderator John C. Eldridge. 184 voters checked in by the Registrars.

Article 9. Voted: The sum of \$7,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to purchase a sander for the Highway Department.

Article 10. Voted Unanimously: the sum of \$15,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to purchase a dump truck for the Highway Department

Article 11. Voted: The town amend Article XXX by deleting the existing Section 2 and insert in Article XXX, Section 2 the following: "Religious Societies and local charitable organizations or non-profit groups may solicit on Sunday and Legal Holidays provided notice is given to the Police Department of intention, hours of solicitation and the identity of individuals performing said solicitation."

Article 12. Voted Unanimously: The sum of \$7,500.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for Painting the Trim on the Town Hall.

Article 13. Voted Unanimously: The sum of \$33,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase a backhoe.

Article 14.: To see if the Town will vote to rezone from "General Residential" to "Industrial District" that land located adjacent and southerly of the Town boundary with the City of Brockton, westerly and northerly of Walnut Street and easterly of Vietnam-American Veterans Highway, Route 24 by inserting the following at the end of By Law XXVI, Section 3, Paragraph C." and that land lying easterly and adjacent to Vietnam-AMVETS Memorial Highway, Route 24, westerly and northerly of Walnut Street, and southerly of the City of Brockton-Town of West Bridgewater Line."

Moved: That consideration of Article 14 be moved to an adjourned Session of the Annual Town Meeting to be held at the W. Bridgewater High School Auditorium, Monday evening, June 17, 1985 at 7:30 p.m.

Upon vote motion carried.

Article 15. Voted: The sum of \$24,500.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for the purchase and equipping of two (2) 1985 Sedan type cruisers for the Police Department and to authorize and empower the Board of Selectmen to dispose of two (2) Police cruisers in the best interest of the Town.

Article 16. Moved: The town vote to appropriate \$375,000.00 for the construction, equipping and furnishing of an addition to the present Police Station facility and to meet such appropriation the sum of \$100,000.00 be transferred from unencumbered Funds and the Sum of \$275,000.00 be raised by borrowing in accord with provisions of Chapter 44, Section 7 MGL.

Upon Counted vote of 183 yes—No 0, motion carried unanimously.

Article 17. Voted: The sum of \$4,000.00 be raised and appropriated to purchase an Electronic Typewriter Printer to be used in the Town Hall.

Article 18. Moved: The sum of \$29,500.00 be raised and appropriated to establish the position of Executive Secretary to the Board of Selectmen pursuant to MGL Chapter 41, Section 23A, and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a search committee of five members to recommend candidates for said position.

Upon vote motion defeated.

Article 19. Voted: The sum of \$5,700.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Tree Warden for repairs to the 1976 Forestry Truck.

Article 20. Voted: The sum of \$2,500.00 be raised and appropriated to replace existing regulators on the self contained breathing apparatus (Scott Air Pacs) from the "Demand Type" to the "Positive Pressure Type" for use in hazardous materials incidents.

Article 21. Voted: The sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Library Board of Trustees for the purchase of a Photocopy Machine.

Article 22. Voted: The sum of \$1,200.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Library Board of Trustees for the purchase of a book deposit box.

Article 23. Voted Unanimously: The sum of \$12,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Library Board of Trustees for the purpose of obtaining Architectural plans for a Library Expansion Project.

Article 24. Voted: The sum of \$16,000.00 be taken from Water Revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase a new cutaway van and empower the Board to dispose of one, 1976 Chevrolet pickup truck in the best interest of the Town.

Article 25. Voted Unanimously: The sum of \$5,000.00 be taken from Water Revenues to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase Water Meters.

Article 26. Voted Unanimously: The sum of \$10,000.00 be taken from Water Revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase and install additional equipment to complete the updating of Station #1 at Cyr Street.

Article 27. Voted: The sum of \$10,000.00 be taken from Water Revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to further pursue the search for additional well sites.

Article 28. Voted: The sum of \$20,000.00 be taken from Water Revenues to be expended by the Water Commissioners to replace Old Two-inch mains.

Article 29. Voted Unanimously: The sum of \$2,655.00 be taken from Water Revenues to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase a pipesaw, pipe locator 110 volt generator.

Article 30. Moved: To pass this article without action. So voted.

Article 31. Moved: The Town vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws, Article XXVI, Section 10 entitled "Exceptions to area Regulations" to "Grandfather" certain dwellings and other structures from Street, side and rear setback dimension requirements, namely:

To add Paragraph C

C. Notwithstanding the setback requirements hereinbefore specified, all structures erected prior to January 1, 1957 and still in existence on January 1, 1985 are considered to be in conformance with this By-Law and its current setback requirements from street, side and rear lot lines.

The Board of Selectmen shall issue a Certificate of Conformance to Town of West Bridgewater Zoning By-Law if the structure and use conform to all other requirements of the By-Laws.

To add Paragraph D.

D. Notwithstanding the setback requirements herein before specified, all structures erected and additions made thereto, under a valid Building Permit issued by the Building Inspector during the period January 1, 1957 and June 30, 1985 for a residential dwelling in the Town of West Bridgewater are considered to be in conformance with this By-Law and its current setback requirements from street, side and rear lot lines.

The Board of Selectmen shall issue a Certificate of Conformance to Town of West Bridgewater Zoning By-Law if the structure or addition thereto and use conform to all other requirements of the By-Laws.

To add Paragraph E.

E. No exceptions to setback requirements or area requirements except as provided herein shall be made nor shall a Certificate of Conformance to Town of West Bridgewater Zoning By-Law be issued for any structure or use without an "as Build" Plan showing all pertinent dimensions and proof of Board of Appeals relief granted by Variance. All plans presented shall be prepared in accordance with applicable portions of MGL, Chapter 11, Section 81 and 250 CMR 1.00-5.00 as promulgated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Board of Registration of Professional Engineers and of land Surveyors and as currently amended.

Motion was made to withdraw original motion and pass without action. So voted.

Article 32. Voted Unanimously: The sum of \$1,200.00 be raised and appropriated for the Town's Participation in the Plymouth County Rape Crisis Center.

Article 33. Voted: The Town under provisions of Section 14 of Chapter 1, of the Massachusetts General Laws, to authorize the formation of a Regional School District Planning Committee consisting of three (3) members including one (1) local school committee member to be appointed by the Moderator, for the purpose of studying regionalization of schools with East Bridgewater.

Article 34. Voted Unanimously: To authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish a permanent municipal building needs and use committee to report annually to the Board of Selectmen and Town Meeting as to the condition, recommended uses and needs of all Municipal buildings. Said committee to be made up of one member for one year, two members for two years and two members for three years and subsequently all members for three year terms.

Article 35. Voted: The sum of \$100.00 be raised and appropriated to pay fiscal 1984 bills as follows: Dept of Revenue, \$72.90 plus interest.

Article 36. Voted Unanimously: The sum of \$20,000.00 be raised and appropriated under the provisions of Chapter 7, Section 30L, of the Massachusetts General Laws to be expended by the School Committee for the purpose of selection of an Architectural Designer for the replacement or repair of the roof on the Howard School and to request the Municipal Building needs and use committee for recommendations.

Article 37. Voted Unanimously: The sum of \$50,000.00 be transferred from unencumbered funds for the Stabilization Fund.

Article 38. Voted Unanimously: The sum of \$20,000.00 be transferred from Surplus Revenue to be used for the Purpose of reducing the tax rate for the Fiscal Year July 1, 1985 to June 30, 1986.

Article 39.: To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Warren Turner announced that Barbara Ginn, member of the Finance Committee for 12 years was resigning. A standing ovation was given Mrs. Ginn for untiring service on the Finance Committee.

Motion was made to adjourn Town Meeting to April 13, 1985 at the Spring Street School at 9 a.m. for the election of the following Offices by Official Ballot: Moderator for one year, Town Clerk for three years, Selectmen for three years, Assessor for three years, 2 Library Trustees for three years, One Library Trustee for two years, Two Members of the School Committee for three years, Water Commissioner for three years, Board of Health for three years, Planning Board, for five years, Planning Board for three years, Housing Authority for five years.

And to June 17, 1985 at the High School Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

So voted.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

A true copy,

Attest: Anna E. Brown, CMC
Town Clerk

Annual Town Election

April 13, 1985

The Annual Town Election was held at the Spring Street School on Saturday, April 13, 1985. The Warrant issued by the Selectmen was posted by the Police Officer Philip C. Tuck on April 1, 1985 in accordance with the provisions of the Town By-Laws.

Specimen Ballots, cards of instructions and abstracts of the laws imposing penalties upon voters were posted as required by the laws of the Commonwealth.

The polls were opened at 9 a.m. The ballot boxes in both precincts were inspected and the registers set at 0000. A total of 2,500 ballots were given to the Wardens John Sillars and Charles E. Johnson and receipt given to the Town Clerk for the same.

At the close of the polls at 8 p.m. the ballot box registers showed the following number of ballots cast:

| | |
|-------------|------------|
| Precinct I | 756 |
| Precinct II | <u>863</u> |
| Total | 1619 |

The following workers were sworn in:

Precinct I: Charles H. Johnson, Warden; William R. Brown, Sr., Clerk; Natalie Beaulieu, Mary Cruz, Helen Johnson, Joyce Nystrom, Checkers; Lois Ketler, Marie Murray, Janet Merritt, Elizabeth Turner, Catherine Chaves, Helen Souza, Counters and Observers; Dorothy Williams, Claire Davock, Tally.

Precinct II: John Sillars, Warden; Warren Laughton, Clerk; Coralee Travers, Shirley Almquist, Debbie Podolsky, Barbara Cohen, Checkers; Audrey Johnson, Leslie Whidop, Joanne McAndrew, Alice Richardson, Karolyn Boyd, Counters and Observers; Ann Long and Joseph Souza, Tally.

The results were declared at 11:30 p.m. and were as follows:

| | Precinct I | Precinct II | Total |
|-----------------------------------|------------|-------------|-------|
| MODERATOR, 1 yr. | | | |
| John C. Eldridge | 638 | 716 | 1354 |
| Blanks | 118 | 147 | 265 |
| John C. Eldridge declared elected | | | |
| TOWN CLERK, 3 yrs. | | | |
| Anna E. Brown | 678 | 744 | 1422 |
| Blanks | 78 | 119 | 197 |
| Anna E. Brown declared elected | | | |
| SELECTMAN, 3 yrs. | | | |
| Judith A. Kinney | 480 | 520 | 1000 |
| Eugene Kostecki | 266 | 334 | 600 |
| Blanks | 10 | 7 | 17 |
| Scattered | | 2 | 2 |
| Judith A. Kinney declared elected | | | |
| ASSESSOR, 3 yrs. | | | |
| Gary A. Boyd | 610 | 720 | 1330 |
| Blanks | 146 | 143 | 289 |
| Gary A. Boyd declared elected | | | |

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY, 3 yrs.

| | | | |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|------|
| Helen S. Millet | 539 | 626 | 1165 |
| Herbert Billett | 281 | 347 | 738 |
| Kathleen Fenstermaker | 366 | 407 | 773 |
| Blanks | 316 | 346 | 662 |

Helen S. Millet and Kathleen Fenstermaker declared elected

TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC LIBRARY, 2 yrs.

| | | | |
|---------------|-----|-----|------|
| Laura Swanson | 606 | 716 | 1322 |
| Blanks | 150 | 147 | 297 |

Laura Swanson declared elected

SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 3 yrs.

| | | | |
|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Betty Alden Miller | 439 | 451 | 890 |
| Paul Curnutte | 370 | 364 | 734 |
| Mary K. Lee | 258 | 348 | 606 |
| Georgia R. Vera | 159 | 210 | 360 |
| Blanks | 286 | 353 | 639 |

Betty Alden Miller and Paul Curnutte declared elected

WATER COMMISSIONER, 3 yrs.

| | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-----|------|
| Edward G. Asack | 664 | 738 | 1401 |
| Blanks | 92 | 125 | 217 |

Edward G. Asack declared elected

BOARD OF HEALTH, 3 yrs.

| | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Edward F. Cruz | 464 | 467 | 931 |
| Arthur W. Finch | 243 | 345 | 588 |
| Blanks | 49 | 51 | 100 |

Edward F. Cruz declared elected

PLANNING BOARD, 5 yrs.

| | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-----|------|
| Howard Anderson | 678 | 722 | 1350 |
| Scattered | 1 | | 1 |
| Blanks | 127 | 141 | 268 |

Howard A. Anderson declared elected

PLANNING BOARD, 3 yrs.

| | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Grete Bohannon | 403 | 489 | 892 |
| Richard G. Bolduc | 286 | 294 | 580 |
| Scattered | | 1 | 1 |
| Blanks | 67 | 79 | 146 |

Grete Bohannon declared elected

HOUSING AUTHORITY, 5 yrs.

| | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-----|------|
| Carl R. Bystrom | 621 | 721 | 1342 |
| Blanks | 135 | 142 | 277 |

Carl R. Bystrom declared elected

A true copy

Attest: Anna E. Brown, CMC
Town Clerk

Adjourned Town Meeting

June 17, 1985

The following action was taken:

Article 14. Moved: The Town vote to rezone from "General Residential" to Industrial District" that land located adjacent to and 1800 feet southerly of the Town boundary with the City of Brockton, westerly and northerly of a line 200 feet west of and parallel to the West line of Walnut Street and easterly of Vietnam-American Veterans Highway, Route 24 by inserting the following at the end of By-law XXVI, Section 3, Paragraph C.

“: and that land lying easterly and adjacent of Vietnam-AMVETS Memorial Highway, Route 24, westerly and northerly of a line 200 feet westerly of and parallel to the westerly line of Walnut Street, and southerly 1800 feet from the City of Brockton-Town of West Bridgewater Corporate Line. Together with an access strip to the District, 90 feet in width, leading from Walnut Street westerly and located about 900 feet southerly from and approximately parallel to the City of Brockton-Town of West Bridgewater Corporate Line.”

Report given by Planning Board: After receiving the notification from the Board of Selectmen on the zoning change, hearings were held and after several changes made the Planning Board is unanimously in favor of Zoning Change.

Board of Selectmen reported that they were unanimously in favor of this Zoning Change.

Industrial Development Commission Chairman, Donald MacIver reported that the Commission members were unanimously in favor of this change.

After much discussion, vote was called for. Upon a counted vote of Yes 318, No 46; Motion was carried.

Charles A. Pickering, Chairman Board of Selectmen made the following Resolutions:

A RESOLUTION

The 17th day of June 1985

SS. Inhabitants of the Town of West Bridgewater.

WHEREAS, EDWARD G. ASACK has recently been recognized by the Plymouth County Development Council for his long public service in this year of the Tercentenary celebration of the establishment of Plymouth County, and

WHEREAS, EDWARD G. ASACK has for many years served the Town of West Bridgewater as an appointed and an elected official, particularly as Water Commissioner, and

WHEREAS, EDWARD G. ASACK is currently the longest serving Water Commissioner in the County presently in office, having served the Town since 1949, and

WHEREAS, EDWARD G. ASACK continues his exemplary service with a smile, a generous attitude and a firm hand, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Town of West Bridgewater with deep pride joins County officials in expressing appreciation to EDWARD G. ASACK for his longevity of service and his constant gentlemanly manner.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this RESOLUTION be gratefully and respectfully presented to him personally and be made a part of the Town Records.

SS. At West Bridgewater, County of Plymouth and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Board of Selectmen
Charles A. Pickering, *Chairman*
Eldon F. Moreira, *Clerk*
Judith A. Kinney, *Member*

Attest: Anna E. Brown,
Town Clerk

A RESOLUTION

The 17th day of June 1985

SS: Inhabitants of the Town of West Bridgewater.

WHEREAS, GEORGE HOLLERTZ, JR. has recently concluded 28 years service to the Town as a member of the Economic and Industrial Development Commission, and

WHEREAS, GEORGE HOLLERTZ, JR. was appointed to the Finance Committee in 1953, to the IDC in 1957 and served 12 years as Selectman from 1960 to 1972, and

WHEREAS, GEORGE HOLLERTZ, JR. is a stalwart in the legion of citizens who have contributed to the well-being and reputation of the Town as a strong, economically healthy and desirable residential community, and

WHEREAS, GEORGE HOLLERTZ, JR. has always demonstrated his willingness to participate unstintingly and unselfishly in public service, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Town of West Bridgewater with a deep pride in the exemplary service of one of its sons, expresses its gratitude and appreciation to GEORGE HOLLERTZ, JR.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this RESOLUTION be gratefully and respectfully presented to him personally and be made a part of the Town Records.

SS. at West Bridgewater, Plymouth County, Massachusetts

Board of Selectmen
Charles A. Pickering, *Chairman*
Eldon F. Moreira, *Clerk*

Judith A. Kinney, *Member*

Attest: Anna E. Brown
Town Clerk

A RESOLUTION

The 17th day of June 1985

SS. Inhabitants of the Town of West Bridgewater,

WHEREAS, CHARLES H. JOHNSON has recently retired as a Selectman of the Town,
and

WHEREAS, CHARLES H. JOHNSON has served the Town as an appointee and an
elected official

from 1967 to 1970 on the Finance Committee
from 1971 to 1974 on the Planning Board
from 1974 to 1985 as Selectman, and

WHEREAS, CHARLES H. JOHNSON has always given a full measure of his time,
energies and devotion to public service in this community, and

WHEREAS, CHARLES H. JOHNSON has...above and beyond the call to duty...served
the community in a larger sense through his professional association,
counsel and leadership in county and state Selectman's Associations and
as a Director of the Massachusetts Municipal Association, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of West Bridgewater expresses
its' deep pride in having been represented by CHARLES H. JOHNSON and its apprecia-
tion of his manner of representation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this RESOLUTION be gratefully and respectfully
presented to him personally and be made a part of the Town Records.

SS. at West Bridgewater, Plymouth County, Massachusetts

Board of Selectmen
Charles A. Pickering, *Chairman*
Eldon F. Moreira, *Clerk*
Judith A. Kinney, *Member*

Attest: Anna E. Brown
Town Clerk

Motion was made to adjourn meeting. Moderator reminded all that a Special Town
Meeting would be held immediately after the adjournment.

A true copy,
Attest: Anna E. Brown
Town Clerk

Special Town Meeting

June 17, 1985

A meeting of which the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote in elections and town affairs were notified by warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen and posted by Raymond L. Silva, constable on May 31, 1985 was held in the Auditorium of Junior-Senior High School.

Meeting was called to order by Moderator at 9:25 p.m. Warrant was read by Town Clerk.

Meeting proceeded as follows:

Article 1. Voted Unanimously: The sum of \$16,000.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to pay Fire Department operating expenses for fiscal year 1984-1985.

Article 2. Voted Unanimously: The sum of \$10,000.00 be transferred from unencumbered fund balance to pay Police Department operating expenses for fiscal year 1984-1985.

Article 3. Voted Unanimously: The Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into contracts in common with other Governmental agencies or units for supplies, equipment or services where communal purchases on the basis of quantity discounts result in unit cost reductions to the Town.

Article 4.: Motion made to pass without action.

Article 5.: Passed without action.

Article 6.: Passed without action.

Article 7. Voted Unanimously: The sum of \$7,000.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase a pneumatic hold boring device for use in installing small diameter underground conduit.

Article 8. Moved: The sum of \$14,000.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to purchase personal computers and peripherals, soft-ware, furniture and supplies for use in the Town Hall at a location assigned by the Board of Selectmen.

Motion amended the sum of \$6,000.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance.

Upon vote original motion of \$14,000.00 lost and sum of \$6,000.00 was carried.

Article 9. Passed without action. So voted.

Article 10. Voted: The sum of \$3,000.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to perform structural and exterior finish repairs to the buildings and grounds at War Memorial Park.

Article 11. Voted Unanimously: The sum of \$2,500.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to repair the sewage disposal facility and to repair or replace toilet materials and equipment and interior finish at the War Memorial Park comfort station.

Article 12.: Passed without action.

Article 13. Moved: The sum of \$4,000.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to construct and maintain a new curbed grass island at the Town Hall parking area which is to be dedicated to public use as an information center and a rest and relaxation area for pedestrian use and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to solicit public gifts of decoration, memorials, sign enclosure, outdoor furniture and other suitable fixtures approved and accepted by said Board of Selectmen.

Upon a counted vote of Yes 135, No 30, Motion carried.

Article 14. Voted: The town authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept a disabled used backhoe as a gift to the Town to be used by the Highway Department and to repair and rehabilitate said backhoe.

Article 15. Voted Unanimously: To authorize the Ad Hoc Police Station Building Committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen to act as the committee to construct, equip and furnish a new Police Station addition with full power and authority to initiate, execute and complete the project with appropriated funds which may be made available for the purpose.

Article 16. Moved: The Town vote to amend the By-Law entitled "New Mobile Home Park Regulations" section 9, General Requirements, subparagraph Y and add thereto the following.

"All Mobile Home Parks established under this By-Law shall be designated self-contained retirement communities constructed expressly for the elderly within the intent of M.G.L., Chapter 151B, Section 4, Sub paragraph 7.

Article 17. Moved: The Town vote to delete section 11, 12, 13 and 14 of the Town By-Law XXVI-PROTECTIVE ZONING BY-LAWS originally adopted March 13, 1957 and as subsequently amended and insert in place thereof Article 12 in Chapter 24 Zoning in the Town of West Bridgewater By-Laws revised 1983 as follows:

ARTICLE 12 ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT.

Section 1. *Administration Officer and Duties.*

This By-Law shall be administered by the Building Inspector under the supervision and direction of the Board of Selectmen except as otherwise may be provided by Town By-Laws or M.G.L., Chapter 40A. Duties of the Building Inspector shall include the receiving of applications, issuing building and use permits, inspection of premises, issuing Certificates of Occupancy, taking actions on violation and any other lawful pursuit necessary to assure conformance with this by-law.

Section 2. *Permits*

a. It shall be unlawful for any person to erect, construct, reconstruct, alter a structure or establish a different use for an existing structure or lot without applying for and receiving from the Building Inspector a permit.

b. Such permit shall be applied for in writing to the Building Inspector. The Building Inspector shall not issue any permit unless the plans therefor and the intended use thereof fulfill in all respects the provisions of this by-law, except as may have been specifically

permitted otherwise by action of the Board of Appeals and provided that a written copy of the terms governing such permission are submitted and attached to an application for and the resulting permit issued.

c. Each application for permit to construct, alter, move a building or change the use of a building or lot shall be accompanied by at least three (3) copies of a plot plan of the proposal. The plot plan shall be drawn to a useable scale, normally not larger than ten (10) feet to the inch for small proposals and not smaller than forty (40) feet to the inch for larger proposals. There shall be included not less than the following information.:

- 1) Actual size and shape of lot and structures as well as foundation dimensions.
- 2) Type, Dimension and area of existing or proposed sewage disposal system.
- 3) Abutting streets and ways including sideline locations and elevations on the centerline and along the property line.
- 4) All existing sewers, storm drains, water pipes and other buried utilities in any street shown.
- 5) Location of all existing structures within twenty (20) feet of a property line.
- 6) Existing topographic conditions and features of the lot including contours of equal elevation at two (2) foot contour intervals.
- 7) Parking, screening, landscaping and other site elements required under this by-law.
- 8) Proposed spot elevations and grades at two (2) foot contour intervals, and all provisions for drainage affecting the site or adjacent property.
- 9) Such other information that Building Inspector or evaluating authorities may reasonably require.

Any of the foregoing requirements may be waived by the Building Inspector which, in his opinion, are considered unnecessary. For additions to existing single family homes, or for additions to other uses which are less than 750 s.f. in area and which do not occupy any required yard, the Building Inspector may require only the information in 1) and 2) above.

Section 3. *Certificate of Occupancy.*

a. It shall be unlawful to occupy any structure or lot for which a permit for building or use is required herein without the owner making application for and receiving from the Building Inspector a Certificate of Occupancy.

b. The Certificate of Occupancy shall state that the building and its uses comply with the provisions of the Zoning By-Law and of the Building Code in effect at the time of issuance. The Building Inspector shall consult with the Board of Health or its designated Agent, in writing, and in the case of structures in a Subdivision undergoing development, with the Planning Board, in writing, prior to issuing a Certificate of Occupancy.

c. A Certificate of Occupancy shall be required for any of the following in conformity with the Building Code and this by-law:

- 1) Occupancy and use of a building hereafter erected, structurally altered or completed under an issued permit.
- 2) Change in use of an existing building or the use of land to a use of different classification.
- 3) Any change in use of a non-conforming structure or use.

Section 4. *Permit and Certificate Fees.*

The Board of Selectmen, with the advice of the Building Inspector, shall from time to

time, as circumstances dictate, determine and set reasonable fees for permits and certificates required by these by-laws.

Section 5. *Enforcement.*

This by-law shall be enforced by the Board of Selectmen or other enforcing officer designated by the Board of Selectmen who shall perform all lawful acts, institute all procedures and revoke Special Permits, Use Permits and Occupancy Permits and all such other action necessary to enforce this by-law.

Section 6. *Violations and Penalties.*

Penalties for violations of any provision of this by-law may, upon conviction, be affixed in the maximum amount allowed by law for each offense. Each day, or portion of a day, that any violation is continued after an order to cease and desist, shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 7. *Board of Appeals.*

An appeal to the Board of Appeals may be taken by any person aggrieved by reason of his inability to obtain a permit or enforcement action from any administrative official under the provisions of Chapter 40A of M.G.L., as amended, or by this by-law, or by any person including an officer or board of the Town aggrieved by an order or decision of the Building Inspector, or other administrative official, in violation of any provision of this by-law. An appeal from any such order or decision shall be taken within thirty (30) days from the date of the receipt of written notice or such order or decision and not otherwise.

- a. *Membership.* There shall be a Board of Appeals of five (5) members and two (2) associate members.
- b. *Appointment.* Members of the Board in office at the effective date of this by-law shall continue in office. Hereafter, as terms expire or vacancies occur, the Board of Selectmen shall make appointments pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 40A, M.G.L., Section 12.
- c. *Rules.* The Board shall adopt rules to govern its proceedings pursuant to Chapter 40A and 40B. Such rules shall be made available to the public and a copy shall be filed with the Town Clerk.
- d. *Site Plan Requirements.* Site plan requirements shall be as required for Permits, Special Permits and Use Variances.
- e. *Powers.* The Board of Appeals shall have the following powers:
 - 1) *Appeals.* To hear and decide upon appeal by any office or Board of the Town, or by any person aggrieved by any order or decision of the Building Inspector, or Selectmen, in violation of any provision of Chapter 40A of M.G.L., as amended, or any provisions of this by-law.
 - 2) *Special Permits.* To grant a Special Permit for an exception as provided by sections of this by-law. In applying for a Special Permit, the applicant need not demonstrate specific hardship. In granting a Special Permit, the Board, with due regard to the nature and condition of all adjacent structure; and uses, and the district within which the site is located, shall take into consideration the following, in addition to other specific requirements contained in this by-law for specific Special Permits allowable. If rights authorized by a Special Permit are not exercised within one year of the date of grant of such Special Permit, they shall lapse and may be re-established only after notice and new public hearing.

- a. Use requested is included in Use Regulations as a Special Permit in the District for which application is made.
 - b. The requested use will not overload any public water supply system or drainage system such as, in the opinion of the Board, will unduly subject persons or property to hazards affecting health, safety, or the general welfare.
 - c. The requested use is essential and desirable to the public convenience or welfare.
 - d. In case of conflict, the provisions of Chapter 40A of the MGL shall apply.
- 3) **Variances.** The Board shall have the power to authorize a variance for a particular use of a lot of land or to an existing building thereon after public hearing for which notice has been given in accordance with Chapter 40A. The Board shall require evidence be heard and specifically find that owing to circumstances relating to soil conditions, shape, or topography of such land or structure and especially affecting such land or structures but not affecting generally the zoning district in which it is located, that a literal enforcement of the provisions of the By-Law would involve substantial hardship, financial or otherwise, to the petitioner or appellant, and the desired relief may be granted without substantial detriment to the public good and without nullifying or substantially deviating from the intent of this by-law.

The Board may impose conditions, safeguards, and limitations of time and for use, including the continued existence of any particular structures but excluding any particular condition, safeguards or limitation based upon the continued ownership of the land or structures to which the variance pertains by the applicant petitioner or any owner. If rights authorized by a variance are not exercised within one year of the date of grant of such variance, they shall lapse and may be reinstated only after notice and a new public hearing.

Planning Board Recommends these changes.

Upon unanimous vote motion carried.

Article 18. Voted: To accept the provisions of MGL Chapter 40, Section 4G added by Chapter 217 of the Acts of 1980 which said law provided for a maximum Town expenditure of \$4,000.00 on any one contract.

Article 19. Voted Unanimously: The sum of \$3,500.00 be transferred from unencumbered fund balance to be expended by the Forestry Department and/or Tree Warden in the Maintenance, restoration & beautification of War Memorial Park through the purchase of materials, flora and fauna and the retention of part-time personnel to accomplish said tasks which in the opinion of the Tree Warden ought to be done.

Article 20. To transact any other business which may lawfully and legally come before the Town Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:52 p.m.

A true copy,

Attest: Anna E. Brown
Town Clerk

Births Recorded in 1985

January

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|----|------------------------|---|
| 9 | Stephanie Lynn Cowan | Paul J. & Sherry L. Lemmo Cowan |
| 15 | Timothy John Grew | John Joseph & Diane Marie Sigren Grew |
| 16 | Laura Beth Wirth | Kevin Barry & Anita Marie Gomes Wirth |
| 20 | Benjamin William Goode | Michael Francis & Marian Paula Musto Goode |
| 26 | Justin Rocco Donahue | Mark Anthony & Carol Marie Ferrera Donahue |
| 28 | Nicole Lee DeMarino | Robert Francis Sr. & Audrey Elaine Richards DeMarino |
| 31 | Kathleen Reid | Mark William & Kathleen Murray Reid |

February

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| 3 | Lynette Elizabeth Andrews | Roy Elliot & Louise Annette Hall Andrews |
| 4 | Kevin Edward Ryan | Edward Michael III & Barbara E. Johnson Ryan |
| 5 | Laura Elizabeth Grover | Donald & Kathleen Elizabeth Robinson Grover |
| 12 | Daniel Joseph Dupuis | Richard Joseph & Linda Anne Contre Dupuis |

March

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| 3 | Andrew Michael Belcher | Kenneth Warren & Carol Susan Vallon Belcher |
| 6 | Jessica Erin Pepin | Michael Aubrey & Michele A. Croteau Pepin |
| 6 | Stephen James Barker | Roy Ambrose & Barbara J. Hallin Barker |
| 16 | Amanda Elizabeth Abril | Edward John & Roxann F. Eaton Abril |
| 21 | Rebekah Amy Sullivan | Robert Arthur & Amy Ellen Pond Sullivan |
| 24 | Brendan James Holden | James Merrill & Mary Ellen Bartsch Holden |
| 25 | Steven Ernest Fongeallaz | Steven Ernest & Denise L. Weatherby |
| 26 | Victor Gar Feit Yu | Stephen Chit Hong & Kathy Yui Cheng Chung Yu |
| 27 | Wesley William Gardner | Edward Merle & Catherine L. Briggs Gardner |
| 31 | James Edward Jennette | Alton Maurice Jr. & Cheryl Ann Flint Jennette |

April

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| 1 | Shawn Daniel Gillpatrick | Jeffrey Archer & Rosemary Dalton Gillpatrick |
| 9 | Matthew Jason Stevens | Daniel Michael Stevens & Deborah Joyce Swithers Stevens |
| 13 | Meghan Kathleen Praino | Michael Edward & Kathleen Jane Fenton Praino |
| 16 | Molly Jean Brassard | Theodore III & Laura Jean Euell Brassard |
| 18 | Samantha Frances Lang | James C. II & Deborah W. Wayne Lang |
| 20 | Mark Richard Tamulionis | Peter & Deborah Ann Conrad Tamulionis |
| 21 | Leah Christine Gomes | Donald A. Gomes, Jr. & Christine A. Jones Gomes |

May

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| 7 | Linnea Nina Maher | Kevin D. Sr., & Pamela R. Willwerth Maher |
| 11 | Rebecca Lynn Anderson | Robert D. & Kathryn E. Johnson Anderson |
| 17 | Elise Meredith McCann | James I. & Linda Huddleston McCann |
| 18 | Daniel Joseph Skidmore | Norman B. Jr., & Amy C. Asker Skidmore |
| 23 | Ann Marie Calitri | Joseph P. & Deborah L. Hart Calitri |

June

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| 12 | Joseph Gerald Pierce | Gerald Francis, Jr. & Maureen Tropeano |
| 14 | Kristin Joy Littlehale | Scott H. & Diana Carol Magnuson Littlehale |
| 15 | Matthew Russell Regan | William J. & Judith Ann Wood Regan |
| 19 | Julianne Eugenia Roberts | George Alfred & Teri Ann Umbrianna Roberts |
| 20 | Ryan Rock Moran | John Rock & Karen Ann Carosi Moran |
| 29 | Brittany Raye Badman | Raymond C. & Susan Dell Sharp Badman |
| 30 | Jared Conrad Wojciechowski | John G. & Brenda Jean Brennan Wojciechowski |

July

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| 3 | Carissa Carey Everett | Paul Scott & Patricia Margaret Carey Everett |
| 6 | Ryan Francis Thomas Mahoney | Francis Xavier & Mary Patricia Roach Mahoney |
| 8 | Daniel Patrick Leary | John Joseph Leary, III & Margaret Anne O'Keefe Leary |
| 10 | Danielle Marie Golder | Paul Turner & Janice Elaine Hatch Golder |
| 21 | Laura Anne Norman | William Robert & Barbara Joan Connolly Norman |
| 22 | Rhawnie Louis Enos | Stephen John & Cathleen Gayle O'Neill Enos |
| 22 | Thomas Edward Stetson | Gerald Edward & Maureen Anne Shea Stetson |
| 22 | Keri Ann Kravetz | Steven Mark Kravetz & Leslie Ann Carman Kravetz |
| 27 | Suzanne Elizabeth Mello | Craig Louis & Ann Elizabeth Troste Mello |

August

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| 4 | Susan Emily Curnutte | Paul Henry & Kathleen Ellen Kalitan Curnutte |
| 8 | Jacqueline Olivia Menton | James Christopher & Jeanne Marie Russell Menton |
| 22 | Daniel Steven Costa, Jr. | Daniel Steven & Cheryl Ann Strollo Costa |
| 23 | Matthew Martin Engstrom | Bruce Edward & Judy Ann Rickard Engstrom |
| 30 | Richard John Derocher | Richard Amos & Laura Rose Vlk Derocher |

September

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| 2 | Scott Allen Merriam | Christopher Roy & Mary Frances Leach Merriam |
| 5 | Amy Kristen Hood | Kenneth A. Jr. & Nancy Karla Horan Hood |
| 19 | Michael David Howe | Robert Victor & Gail Priscilla Sawyer |
| 20 | Eric Michael Young | Robert Edward & Nancy Marie Mascheri Young |
| 26 | Joan Elizabeth Fagan | Francis Xavier & Maureen Joan Welsh Fagan |

October

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| 2 | Kristin Mary Green | Harvey & Susan Maria Vigna Green |
| 2 | Meghan O'Shea Driscoll | David William & Mary Ellen O'Shea Driscoll |
| 2 | Megan Judith Devine | Thomas Joseph & Judith Ann Campbell Devine |
| 9 | Matthew Thomas Spry | Michael Thomas & Patricia Gail Adams Spry |
| 12 | Matthew Alan Libby | Alan Francis & Sheila Ann Shaw Libby |
| 15 | Kathryn Frances Chace | Raymond Randolph & Eileen Susan Lawson Chace |
| 21 | Caryn Leigh Holmgren | Scott Douglas & Maureen Ann Griffin Holmgren |

November

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| 3 | Robert Raymond Bartlett | Raymond Osgood & Ellen Marie Peterson Bartlett |
| 5 | Jeremy Charles Lagerval | Richard Karl & Cynthia Jane Ness Lagerval |
| 7 | Timothy Francis MacHardy | Donald Gregory & Debora Ann Briggs MacHardy |
| 10 | Christopher James Packard | Philip Warren & Cheryl Ann Benson Packard |
| 22 | Angela Christine Martelli | Albert Emilio & Theresa Helen Davis Martelli |
| 26 | Emily Louise Hoelscher | Michael Joseph & Teri Ann Pierce Hoelscher |

December

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| 12 | Sean Thomas Horton | Thomas Charles & Lisa Jane Dekin Horton |
| 15 | Frederick Louis Baker | Frederick Adelbert & Maria Louise D'Arpino Baker |
| 19 | Valerie Nicole Mascheri | John Michael & Linda Colette Talbot Mascheri |
| 27 | Ashley Louise Burr | Peter James & Brenda Louise Sargo Burr |
| 29 | Nicole Noelle Fortin | Ronald Arthur & Donna Jean Asack Fortin |

Marriages Recorded in 1985

January

- 12 Reinhard Kreuzburg of W. Bridgewater and Sharon D. Soles of W. Bridgewater at Sudbury, MA.

March

- 9 Clarence C. Young of Brockton and Lucille Chadwick of W. Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
15 Kevin L. Quarterley of W. Bridgewater and Gail A. McMasters of W. Bridgewater at Brockton
24 Richard J. Freeman of W. Bridgewater and Marie E. Andrews of W. Bridgewater at Middleborough, MA.
30 Ernest J. Malchionno, Jr. of Weymouth and Beth Anne Perry of Brockton at Abington, MA.

April

- 13 Mark J. Pensinger of W. Bridgewater and Denise D. Crowley of W. Bridgewater at East Bridgewater, MA.
13 Eric M. Fredrickson of W. Bridgewater and Patricia Lois Marchand of Taunton at Raynham, MA.
25 David DeGroat of Avon and Jill M. Perry of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater, MA.

May

- 4 Bryan E. Anderson of W. Bridgewater and Amy Lynn Sudhop of Mansfield at Foxborough, MA.
4 Christian D. Berg of W. Bridgewater and Sophie J. Tzvetinovitch of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater, MA.
8 Thomas N. Chamberlin of W. Bridgewater and Judith A. Cochrane of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater, MA.
10 Ronald C. Murphy of W. Bridgewater and Mary K. Hutchinson of Brockton at Bridgewater, MA.
11 Todd Maxwell Cooke of Mansfield and Melanie Florence Colburn of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater, MA.
18 Bernard Henry Heath, Jr. of W. Bridgewater and Deborah Joan Tillman of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater, MA.
19 Timothy C. Snow, Jr. of Plympton and Christine Marie DeBattista of Elmwood at W. Bridgewater, MA.
19 Robert N. Shubert of W. Bridgewater and Debbie G. Alden of W. Bridgewater at Avon, MA.
22 Paul Scott Bevin of Brockton and Michelle L. Sevigny of Brockton at W. Bridgewater, MA.
22 Lewis A. Waugh of Brockton and Barbara J. Riordon of Brockton at W. Bridgewater, MA.
25 George E. Nowe of W. Bridgewater and Gladys V. McDonald of W. Bridgewater at Brockton, MA.

June

- 1 Robert Girard Englehard of W. Bridgewater and Elizabeth Gloria Stasio of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater, MA.
16 Edward W. Lindsey of W. Bridgewater and Lynn M. May of W. Bridgewater, MA.
21 Stanley F. J. Sicinski of W. Bridgewater and Catherine A. Catrambone of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater, MA.
22 James D. Kincaid of Upton and Eileen D. Simmons of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater, MA.
22 Richard D. Rogers of W. Bridgewater and Karen A. Calderara of W. Bridgewater at Rockland, MA.
29 Emanuel Calisto Gomes of Brockton and Jaime Denise Hand of Brockton at Abington, MA.
29 Troy W. Sutton of Ohio and Linda J. Lombardi of W. Bridgewater at Brockton, MA.

July

- 13 John F. Valentine of Bridgewater and Kathleen F. Moore of Bridgewater at Bridgewater, MA.
- 20 Timothy D. Anderson of Abington and Ann Ward of Abington at W. Bridgewater, MA.
- 20 Carl S. Rich of Rockland and Patricia A. Sillars of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater, MA.

August

- 16 Glenn C. Hammond of Albany, GA and Laura A. Burke of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater, MA.
- 17 Patrick Joseph Flemming of Whitman and Janet Marie Cranshaw of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater, MA.

September

- 6 Robert Ernest Williams, Jr. of W. Bridgewater and Patricia Ann Moreira of W. Bridgewater at S. Easton, MA.
- 14 Paul J. Burke of W. Bridgewater and Susan J. Mannion of E. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater, MA.
- 15 Daniel Scott Daley of Brockton and Katherine Anne Yesmentes of Brockton at Maynard, MA.
- 15 Alan George Peterson of So. Easton and Janine Sue Wingren of W. Bridgewater at Brockton, MA.
- 20 John Francis Tupper of Brockton and Phoebe Jacqueline Forger Burnham of W. Bridgewater at Stoughton, MA.
- 28 Stephen Dias of W. Bridgewater and Ann Marie Chadwick of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater, MA.

October

- 11 Robert Edward Perry of W. Bridgewater and Mary Tamara Gummow of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater, MA.
- 19 Thomas William Reed of Bridgewater and Christina Eileen Chisholm of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater, MA.
- 26 John L. Pigeon of Brockton and Carol J. McCormack of Brockton at Brockton, MA.

November

- 8 Walter P. Webber, Jr. of Brockton and Marie D. Marriott of Brockton at Abington, MA.
- 17 Charles H. Wise, Jr. of W. Bridgewater and Pamela A. Diman of W. Bridgewater at East Bridgewater, MA.
- 30 Terrence Downing of Taunton and Rosemary Bessette of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater, MA.

December

- 21 Joseph L. McMorros, Jr. and Patricia A. Labrecque of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater, MA.
- 28 Michael Joseph Raposa of West Bridgewater and Barbara A. LaBree of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater, MA.
- 28 Thomas Free Scott of No. Weymouth and Alicia M. Armstrong of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater, MA.

Deaths Recorded in 1985

January

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|----|----------------------|----|--------------------------------|
| 6 | Wallace A. Stockman | 57 | Cardio-pulmonary Arrest |
| 7 | Russell Regan | 63 | Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease |
| 14 | Barbara Jean Keating | 57 | Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease |
| 15 | Joan Esther Boyd | 42 | Leukemia |
| 31 | Edward Mikel Pingree | 61 | Respiratory Failure |

February

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|----|-------------------------|----|-----------------------|
| 3 | Edith Strollo | 47 | Respiratory Failure |
| 8 | Rose E. Dillenschneider | 88 | Metastatic Carcinoma |
| 16 | Agnes Alfrieda Nordling | 86 | Gastric Ulcer |
| 26 | Amelia Ray Brown | 74 | Myocardial Infarction |

March

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|----|----------------------------|----|--------------------------------|
| 2 | Grace Elizabeth Smith | 66 | Sarcoma of Ovary |
| 9 | Joseph H. Langtry III | 40 | Coronary Arteriosclerosis |
| 14 | Lillian Agnes Oman | 78 | Metastatic Breast Carcinoma |
| 21 | Homer Samuel Dyson | 58 | Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease |
| 26 | Richard Hess | 57 | Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease |
| 29 | George Wilfred Goldie, Sr. | 83 | Pneumonia |

April

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| 29 | Ethel C. Willwerth | 65 | Cardiovascular Disease |
| 29 | Rose Fratangelo | 67 | Metastatic Carcinoma |

May

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| 12 | Elma Sousa | 76 | Myocardial Infarction |
| 17 | Louis R. Blye | 54 | Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease |
| 30 | Manuel Agust Couite | 77 | Bronchio Alveola Carcinoma |

June

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|----|-----------------------------|----|---------------------------|
| 1 | Hope Maynard Tibbetts | 69 | Cardiopulmonary Arrest |
| 9 | Harold Emery Anderson | 68 | Carcinoma of Colon |
| 13 | Noella M. Seablom | 73 | Cardio Respiratory Arrest |
| 20 | Alfred A. Veronesi | 77 | Pneumonia |
| 29 | Catherine Veronica Ferranti | 74 | Hemorrhage |

July

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| 24 | Marion Doris Cooke | 87 | Congestive Heart Failure |
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August

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| 6 | Leslie A. Skinner | 86 | Cerebral Hemorrhage |
| 21 | Louis R. F. Kaminsky | 65 | Cardiopulmonary Arrest |
| 22 | Marion E. Glynn | 90 | Heart Failure |
| 25 | Elizabeth Bagot | 90 | Congestive Heart Failure |
| 27 | Eldona S. Waugh | 65 | Respiratory Failure |
| 28 | Mary Crimmins | 85 | Chronic Renal Failure |
| 29 | Carl William Carlson | 70 | Myocardial Infarction |
| 29 | Lillian Mae Harvey | 66 | Metastatic Carcinoma |

September

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|----|-----------------------|----|--------------------------|
| 5 | Rino Joseph Roffinoli | 68 | Intracerebral Hemorrhage |
| 8 | Hiram Leslie Reckard | 82 | Cardiovascular Collapse |
| 12 | Sumner Estes Jensen | 75 | Cardiovascular Disease |
| 22 | Joseph Carchidi | 96 | Heart Disease |

October

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|----|---------------------------|----|------------------------|
| 3 | Charles Alexander O'Brien | 87 | Arteriosclerotic Heart |
| 20 | Herbert Briggs | 89 | Alzheimers Disease |
| 21 | Francis Peter King | 73 | Carcinoma of Colon |
| 21 | Edith C. Cox | 82 | Cardiac Arrest |
| 23 | Hazel Marjorie Easton | 65 | Heart Failure |
| 31 | Susan Stukas | 92 | Heart Disease |

November

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|----|-----------------------|----|---------------------------|
| 3 | Hazel Gilley | 84 | Renal Failure |
| 17 | Warren Francis Oliver | 27 | Acute Myocarditis |
| 17 | Joseph Francis McCann | 63 | Respiratory Insufficiency |
| 27 | Philip Wayne Smart | 30 | Anoxic Encephalopathy |

December

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| 5 | Margaret Isabelle Goff | 61 | Adenocarcinoma—Kidney |
| 6 | William Louis Baker | 61 | Metastatic Bronchogenic Carcinoma |
| 6 | Gilbert Ivar Anderson | 75 | Arteriosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease |
| 8 | Donald A. Kennedy | 64 | Cardiac Arrest |
| 14 | Barbara Marie Olson | 67 | Squamous Ear—Carcinoma Jaw & Neck |
| 14 | Andrew Philip Erbeck | 75 | Alzheimer's Disease |
| 19 | Eric R. Berggren | 78 | Cardiopulmonary Arrest |
| 22 | Marie Madeline Stupski | 59 | Hypoxemia—Lymphangitic/Lungs Metastatic Carcinoma of Pancreas |
| 27 | Elaine Kennedy Wilson | 61 | Metastatic Breast Carcinoma |
| 28 | Raymond Joseph Burke | 73 | Arteriosclerotic—Heart Disease |
| 30 | Emma Margaret Seath | 65 | Hypertensive Cardiovascular Disease |
| 30 | Chester Mortimer Jollymore | 63 | Arteriosclerotic—Heart Disease |

DEATHS—LATE RETURNS 1984

November 1984

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|----|-------------------|----|----------------------------|
| 12 | William Leo Hardy | 82 | Metastatic Prostate Cancer |
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December 1984

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| 8 | Tifanie M. Card | 9 mos. 24 days | Pneumonia |
| 24 | Alfred Frank Stulpin | 67 | Cardiopulmonary Arrest |

July 1983

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| 26 | David Philip Johnson | 25 | Acute Cardiac Arrhythmia |
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Jurors Drawn—1985

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| John W. Akstin | Criminal/Civil |
| Robert D. Anders | Criminal/Civil |
| John M. Andrea | Criminal/Civil |
| Donald G. Asack | Criminal/Civil |
| Roland C. Ashley | Criminal/Civil |
| Charles E. Ayers | Criminal/Civil |
| Alfred C. Berard | Grand Juror |
| Kathleen A. Boyle | Criminal/Civil |
| Rita Bridgwood | Criminal/Civil |
| William Bridgwood | Criminal/Civil |
| David G. Chauncey | Criminal/Civil |
| Patricia L. Craig | Criminal/Civil |
| Bettina J. Cristina | Criminal/Civil |
| Debby E. Davis | Criminal/Civil |
| Barbara J. DiCorpo | Criminal/Civil |
| Dorothy A. Doody | Criminal/Civil |
| Beverly A. Dwyer | Grand Juror |
| Janet L. Dwyer | Criminal/Civil |
| Edith M. Ferron | Criminal/Civil |
| Leo J. Giovanoni | Criminal/Civil |
| Rita C. Giovanoni | Criminal/Civil |
| Paul E. Glaser | Criminal/Civil |
| Harry D. Greene, Jr. | Criminal/Civil |
| Florence F. Harris | Criminal/Civil |
| Joseph H. Kameese | Criminal/Civil |
| Cheryl A. Kemp | Criminal/Civil |
| Marion V. Knox | Criminal/Civil |
| Stephen J. Korostsky | Criminal/Civil |
| Jeffrey D. Kundicz | Criminal/Civil |
| Linda L. Macomber | Criminal/Civil |
| Dante Mastropietro | Criminal/Civil |
| Elizabeth M. Mersereau | Criminal/Civil |
| Howard G. Miles | Criminal/Civil |
| Elizabeth M. Mitchell | Criminal/Civil |
| Edna M. Morse | Criminal/Civil |
| Kathleen Ann Murphy | Criminal/Civil |
| James R. Norcross | Criminal/Civil |
| Peter E. O'Connor | Criminal/Civil |
| Robert S. O'Connor | Criminal/Civil |
| Frances A. Osborne | Criminal/Civil |
| William V. Pawlowski | Criminal/Civil |
| Edward A. Perry | Criminal/Civil |
| John J. Perry | Criminal/Civil |
| Edward J. Petrone | Criminal/Civil |
| Geraldine J. Petrone | Criminal/Civil |
| Robert L. Paquette | Criminal/Civil |
| Ruth M. Robinson | Criminal/Civil |
| Paul J. Sheedy | Criminal/Civil |

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| Wayne E. Simmons | Criminal/Civil |
| Joseph R. Spadea | Criminal/Civil |
| Lula E. Spillane | Criminal/Civil |
| Kerri Jane St. George | Criminal/Civil |
| Angelo Savino | Criminal/Civil |
| Mary A. Smith | Criminal/Civil |
| Robert J. Swanson | Criminal/Civil |
| Benjamin W. Tobey | Criminal/Civil |
| Joseph Vandusen | Criminal/Civil |
| Marilou E. Wilkinson | Criminal/Civil |
| Joan E. Willis | Criminal/Civil |
| Michael Zajdel | Criminal/Civil |

Miscellaneous Licenses Issued

Following monies received in Town Clerk's Office and paid to the Treasurer:

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| Miscellaneous | \$37,545.25 |
| Dog Licenses Fees | 1,369.75 |
| Fish & Game Fees | <u>176.60</u> |
| Total | \$39,102.60 |
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| Fish and Game Licenses Paid to Division of Fish and Wildlife | \$ 4,951.50 |
| Dog Licenses Paid to Treasurer for County | 2,242.00 |

A true copy,
Attest: Anna E. Brown, CMC
Town Clerk

Report of the Board of Assessors

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| TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR 12 MONTH FISCAL YEAR SINCE 1984-1985 TAX RATE WAS FIXED | \$6,527,020. |
| Local Expenditures | 19,586. |
| State and County Charges | 153,159. |
| Overlay | <u>77,436.</u> |
| GROSS AMOUNT TO BE RAISED | \$6,777,201. |
| Total Estimated Receipts from State | \$1,879,111. |
| Prior Year Overestimates—State and County | 2,043. |
| Local Estimated Receipts | 954,300. |
| Free Cash | 230,739. |
| Other Available Funds | 9,580. |
| Revenue Sharing | 170,000. |
| Free Cash to Reduce Tax Rate | <u>20,000.</u> |
| TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS | \$3,265,773. |
| NEW AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION ON PROPERTY | \$3,511,428. |

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| Assessed Value of Real Estate—Land and Buildings | \$164,848,170. |
| Personal Property | <u>6,441,000.</u> |
| Total | \$171,289,170. |

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| TAX RATE PER THOUSAND | \$20.50 |
| School | 48.05% \$ 9.85 |
| General | 51.95% <u>10.65</u> |
| | 100.00% \$20.50 |

EXEMPT PROPERTY

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| Old Bridgewater Historical Society | \$ 105,200. |
| Church Societies | 3,228,500. |
| Berwick Boys Foundation | 172,500. |
| H. Meredith Berry Trust | 115,400. |
| Town Hall Offices and Forestry Garage | 290,400. |
| Highway Garage | 262,000. |
| Fire and Police Station | 431,500. |
| Water Department | 1,196,300. |
| Park Department | 84,900. |
| Cemeteries—Town Owned | 66,500. |
| Cemeteries—Privately Owned | 198,900. |
| Transfer Station | 110,500. |
| Conservation Commission 261.36 Acres | 363,350. |
| All Other Town Owned Land 111.00 Acres | 89,700. |
| School Department and Library | 9,931,100. |
| West Bridgewater Housing Authority | 1,151,600. |
| Comm. of Mass. Land—Div. Fish & Wildlife 1,271.19 Acres | 1,289,600. |
| Comm. of Mass. Land 236.96 Acres | 324,000. |
| Samoset Rod & Gun Club Inc. | 108,800. |

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| BAARC | 60,400. |
| Memorial Page Land | <u>11,900.</u> |
| TOTAL EXEMPT PROPERTY | \$19,593,050. |

The following abatements and exemptions were granted for Fiscal 1986:

| Clause | Number | Amount |
|---------------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| 17C Surviving Spouse etc. | 20 | \$ 3,500.00 |
| 18 Financial Hardship | 3 | 1,877.81 |
| 22 Veterans | 72 | 12,600.00 |
| 22A Veterans | 4 | 1,400.00 |
| 22E Veterans | 1 | 525.00 |
| 22 Paraplegics | 1 | 2,501.00 |
| 41B Elderly | 49 | 24,500.00 |
| 37A Blind | 4 | 2,000.00 |
| 41A Deferred Tax | 2 | 1,646.35 |
| Overvaluation | 6 | 1,537.27 |
| Personal Property | 2 | 43.05 |
| Tax Title Abatement | <u>1</u> | <u>387.14</u> |
| TOTALS | 165 | \$52,517.62 |

Chapter 61 Forest Management—55.37 Acres—3 Parcels

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| Credit in Assessed Valuation | \$95,200. | |
| Total Loss in Taxes | | \$1,951.60 |

Chapter 61A Agricultural & Horticultural—22,051.97 Acres—138 Parcels

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| Credit in Assessed Valuation | \$3,357,540. | |
| Total Loss in Taxes | | \$68,829.56 |

Chapter 61B Recreational Land—51.63 Acres—1 Parcel

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| Credit in Assessed Valuation | \$104,100. | |
| Total Loss in Taxes | | \$2,134.05 |

Despite a slight drop in both residential and industrial building over the past year, our town continues to grow at a steady rate. High interest rates could have accounted for some of the slow down.

Our Industrial area continues to attract attention and we expect to see a great deal of activity, both industrial and commercial, in this area over the next few years. The Board would like to express our appreciation to the members of the Industrial Development Commission for their time and efforts in promoting the area.

A review of our sales reports indicates that West Bridgewater is experiencing the same spiraling prices on residential and land sales as is happening throughout the State and as a result, the valuations placed on property in our last revaluation program have been thrown out of line.

The Board of Assessors will have an article in the warrant for the annual town meeting requesting funds to perform a complete revaluation of all property (Real & Personal) as required by the Department of Revenue under Chapter 797 of the Acts of 1979. This revaluation must be completed for the Fiscal year 1988.

Board members and Assistant Assessor Mrs. Bowman continue to attend educational meetings sponsored by the Massachusetts Department of Revenue and the Massachusetts

Association of Assessors. These meetings enable the assessors to keep up to date on changes that are constantly taking place in the assessing field.

We would like to express our thanks to the townspeople and the various town departments for their support and cooperation.

Report of the Board of Health

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
the Citizens of West Bridgewater:

In compliance with the General Laws of Massachusetts we submit the report of 1985.

The Board held the following clinics: Rabies, Flu, Helicopter spraying for mosquito control by the Bay Colony for Mosquito Control. Although there was no Equine Encephalitis reported in the town of West Bridgewater, we felt it was in the town's best interest to spray.

The annual town election of 1985 reelected Edward Cruz to the Board, with Ronald Broman as Chairman and Marie Bagley as Clerk and Edward Cruz as member.

During 1985 the Board took in the following fees as revenue:

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| Piggery License | \$ 35.00 |
| Food Service Establishments | 475.00 |
| Milk & Cream | 300.00 |
| Installers Permit | 560.00 |
| Retail Food License | 150.00 |
| Septic Pumpers | 70.00 |
| Perc Test Observations | 1,015.00 |
| Dog Clinics | 126.00 |
| Mobile Food | 20.00 |
| Disposal Works Permits | 980.00 |
| Bakery Permits | 25.00 |
| General Fees or Permits | <u>700.00</u> |
| Total | \$4,456.00 |

We wish to thank the Bridgewater Visiting Nurses Association for their assistance with different programs throughout the year. Their report can be found separately.

We would also like to thank all the Town departments with which this Board works throughout the year. We are also working closely with the State and Regional Agencies and their agents.

The Board is pleased to announce the general health of the town is good.

This past year the Board made some amendments to Title 5, making the requirements more stringent and to the benefit of the town.

The Board meets on the first and third Wednesday night of each month, at 7:00 p.m. The Office is open weekdays Tuesday thru Thursday 9 a.m. till 2 p.m. for permits or any other business you may have.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Broman, *Chairman*
Edward Cruz, *Member*
Marie Bagley, *Clerk*

Report of the Board of Appeals

During the year 1985 the Board of Appeals held twenty (20) public hearings. These hearings dealt with the following:

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| Variance requests dealing with setbacks: | 7 |
| Variance requests dealing with zoning by-law (subdivision of land, etc.) | 8 |
| Special permit requests: | 1 |
| Mobile home requests: | 1 |
| Sign variance requests: | 1 |
| Miscellaneous requests: | 2 |

The following is the breakdown of the decisions made:

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| Variations or permits granted: | 13 |
| Variations denied: | 5 |
| Variations withdrawn: | 2 |

Respectfully submitted,
William E. Turner, Jr., *Chairman*
Harry Pierson, Jr., *Vice Chairman*
Henry Podolsky, *Member*
Harry Ketler, *Member*
George Merritt, *Member*
James Wolfsberg, *Alt. Member, Clerk*
Charles Johnson, *Alt. Member*

Civil Defense

Honorable Board of Selectmen:

During Hurricane Gloria, shelter was provided at the local high school for a group of residents from the Matfield Woods Estate Mobile Park. Douglas Eaton placed six busses at our disposal. Mrs. Reynolds and her staff served a delicious meal for the police, fire and highway employees in addition to those who were stranded. Bruce Adams put in a total of six hours running back and forth repairing the generator which had not been properly serviced by the electrician. The total cost from hurricane damage incurred by West Bridgewater should be reimbursed by the Federal government.

Any person/persons requiring shelter due to power failure, etc., may call any one of the following numbers:

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| Civil Defense Director | 586-1394 |
| Fire Department | 586-4137 |
| Police Department | 586-2528 |

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Manugian
Civil Defense Director

Report of the Inspector of Animals

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby respectfully submit my annual report for the year 1985.

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| Number of Dairy Cows over two years | 242 |
| Number of Dairy Heifers one to two years | 89 |
| Number of Dairy Heifer Calves under one year | 51 |
| Number of Dairy Bulls | 4 |
| Number of Dairy Herds | 6 |
| Number of Beef Cattle | 8 |
| Number of Beef Herds | 8 |
| Number of Horses | 79 |
| Number of Ponies | 12 |
| Number of Goats | 21 |
| Number of Sheep | 40 |
| Number of Swine | 153 |
| Number of Swine Herds | 2 |

Respectfully submitted,

Leo E. Moroni

Inspector of Animals

Report of the Arts Lottery Council

The Arts Lottery Council consists of no less than five and no more than twenty-two members appointed by the Selectmen under the provisions of G.L. Chapter 10, Section 35C to administer funds allocated to the Town from lottery proceeds. Applications for grants from the Council are available at the Town Clerk's Office and at the Library. Twice annually the local Council receives notification from the State Council of the distribution of funds to the local Council, and every six months the local Council acts on applications submitted to it.

The Council received distributions from the Massachusetts Arts Lottery Council in 1985 in the total amount of \$3,383. Fifteen applications were received from individuals and organizations, and eight of those were funded. Among the projects funded wholly or partly by the Council were: a summer theatre workshop, an artist-in-residence program at the High School, assistance to Old Bridgewater Historical Society in reprinting books and documents of local historical interest, and musical and dramatic performances in the schools. Also in 1985, the Council oversaw the completion of several projects which had been funded in previous years.

Chairman Lorraine A. Piver, Secretary Joseph F. Linehan and Member Patrick Bell have now completed three two-year terms on the Council, and are not eligible for reappointment. Membership on the Council now consists of Donald A. Adams, Cheryl A. Adams, Paul Revere Brown, Elizabeth Muckenthaler and Elizabeth McMahon. The Council is in need of additional members, and anyone interested should contact the Selectmen, the appointing authority.

Report of the Building Inspector

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit the annual report of the Building Inspector for the year 1985.

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| 13 | Single family dwellings | \$ 972,500.00 |
| 24 | Business permits | 2,782,890.00 |
| 68 | Mobile Homes | 1,863,600.00 |
| 116 | Additions and alterations | 807,136.00 |
| 29 | Sign permits | 14,875.00 |
| 15 | Swimming pools | 66,189.00 |
| 5 | Demolition permits | — |
| | Total estimated cost | <u>\$6,507,190.00</u> |

Fees paid to town based on estimated cost of construction: \$18,882.75

During the year this department made 316 construction inspections, investigated 26 complaints. Fire Chief Charles Dyke and I made 35 store inspections and made the annual inspection of the schools.

At this time, I would like to thank Chief Dyke and the Fire Department personnel for their assistance during the boiler emergency at the Town Hall. Also, the Forestry and Highway Departments for their assistance with repairs to the Town Hall.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, co-workers and the citizens of this town for their co-operation during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert J. Robichaud
Building Inspector

Report of the Handicap Commission

The Commission held three meetings throughout the year. It was a suggestion of the Commission that a wheelchair ramp be constructed at the Spring Street School to accommodate the handicapped. The elevator at the Town Hall was also reactivated to allow access to the building by the handicapped.

We are considering methods of accommodating visual and hearing impaired persons along with ascertaining that programs and activities are accessible to all handicapped individuals.

Respectfully submitted,

Russell Bump
James C. Barber
Virginia Michael
Kathleen Fenstermaker

Report of the Conservation Commission

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
and the Citizens of West Bridgewater:

The members of the Conservation Commission wish to respectfully submit their annual report.

In 1985 the Commission held 23 regular meetings administering the Wetland Protection Act and its various aspects, among which were as follows.

The Commission received 13 Notices of Intent and held 13 Public Hearings with 3 continuations of Hearings for lack of information.

The results of these Hearings was the issuing of 13 Orders of Conditions of which 2 Applications were denied by the Commission with one of these Applications being appealed to the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering by the Applicant and is still in process at this writing.

One Order of Conditions was superceeded by DEQE allowing them to install one other admendment to the original Order issued by this Commission and one Application was withdrawn by the Applicant.

In 1985 the Commission issued 3 Enforcement Orders, 2 Certificates of Compliance and 1 Extension of Orders for on-going project.

Also, conducted 16 site visits in regards to preparation to issuing Orders, Public Hearings and Certificate of Compliances.

The Conservation Commission also attended meetings held by other Boards within the Town to give input on projects relative to our own work.

Members of the Commission have held many consultations with Developers and Real Estate Agents in regards to the Wetland Protection Act.

1985 was the start of maintenance and repair of lands held by the Conservation Commission.

This program was started by the repair of the Boat Ramp Foot path on Ash Street which got off to a shaky start due to a misunderstanding by the Commission of the original intent of the use of the ramp. The misunderstanding was put back into perspective by input from the people of Ash Street at a regular meeting and the project got under way and completed.

In closing, the Conservation Commission would like to thank the Board of Selectmen, Planning Board, Board of Health, Board of Assessors, Building Inspector and a Special Thanks to the Highway Department for the help we have received over the past year.

The Commission would also like to thank the complete staff of the Town Hall for the many courtesies they convey to all who enter from day to day.

Respectfully submitted,

John Dacey, *Chairman*

Howard Hayward, *Vice Chairman*

Linda Greene, *Clerk*

Hugh Hurley

Joseph Souza

Thomas Driscoll

Craig Harding

West Bridgewater Conservation Commission

Report of the Council on Aging

To the Board of Selectmen:

The West Bridgewater Council on Aging is pleased with this annual opportunity to bring to the townspeople a report of its activities for fiscal 1985-86. This has been a year of change and transition for us. We have lost some members through resignation and gained new ones. We have added new faces to our volunteer roster and lost others through illness or death. However, through all the natural cycles and changes we are part of in life, we have survived; even flourishing in some areas; while needing pruning and spruce up in others.

Our luncheon program continues to be a mainstay of our program with attendance averaging in the high 60's to 70's depending upon the vagaries of the weather. Our outreach program is superior. Both our seniors working in this area, Eleanor Lindsay and Kathleen V. Fenstermaker, are sensitive to the problems and concerns of the elder who might be struggling with illness, financial hardship, family or spouse problems, depression, alcoholism, chronic or terminal illness or potential nursing home placement. Any one or more of these concerns can be difficult to deal with alone. But we are fortunate that the senior population can count on these two dedicated and caring women for service beyond a mere job description.

A word about our volunteers! We have some of the finest volunteers anywhere. Samuel Feinberg has been such a loyal and hard worker in our lunch program. He does the not very glamorous job of dishwashing, cleaning up, etc. But it's not the job he does that makes him special; it is his caring for all that we do. He always has a kind and caring word to share or in some cases a wry, humorous comment to make. Sam makes us laugh; even when we feel too overwhelmed by things. Sam knows what being a true volunteer is!

Unselfish is the word for Gordon Ross. He has been our most faithful volunteer. From the opening of our senior center to the present time, Gordon has provided us with the skills and ability he has as our custodian. Those who remember Gordon from West Bridgewater High School will know of what I speak when I say he is a truly capable and competent man. Gordon knows what being a true volunteer is!

George McGuire probably has traveled the roads of West Bridgewater more than any of our mailmen. He is our volunteer driver under the Elder Service Corps Program. George provides transportation to the meal site at the center, for shopping, medical appointments, treatments at the local hospitals, beauty shops, barber shops, special functions etc. But George does more than just drive people places. He has the capacity to bring out the best in people. He has their complete trust. He truly cares; and it shows. George knows what being a true volunteer is all about.

Our meals on wheels delivery volunteers are special in their own right. Rain or snow, every day, a hot, nutritious meal is delivered to all those seniors unable to cook meals for themselves. Alpee Surette, Kenneth and Blanche Hollis, Helen Nelson, Jean Geary, Paige Conant, Sam Feinberg, with little fanfare have been providing this needed service for a number of years. They provide the Council on Aging with information as to the needs of a potential client. Unselfishly these fine people give daily of their time to help others. Some have been at it longer than others, but they all reap the rewards of the immense satisfaction of a job well done. Ask them what it means to be a volunteer!

Transporting seniors is also part of the assistance given by John Rosnell, Susie Ruculo, Ellie Lindsay, Ellen Benson and others when asked. They know what it means to volunteer!

Our cook, Eileen Beane, volunteers as a member of JOY, service as its President

for the past two years. She also runs our thrift shop which is open every day to the public from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. She works very hard to make our fund raisers a success so that seniors can enjoy special programs. She knows what being a volunteer is all about.

We have Ann, George, Arthur, Ray, Edna, LuAnn, Lori, Kathy, the Key Club, Dave, Doris, Ginny, Pat, Jack, Frank, Donn, and many many others who help as part of our volunteer contingent. Why not add your name to the list; the task may be as long and involved as you would like to give the time. There is nothing so great as the feeling that you have done something to help someone else.

For the coming year, we are planning the following: establishment of a local chapter of "Keep Moving," a walking club for ages 40 and up. We will begin to publicize this program in the early Spring. We will also be looking for a crafts person to help with planning classes of interest for our seniors. The possibility for a monthly evening social dance will be discussed as well as square dancing, a glee club and several events just for the fun of getting together.

There is a lot more one could say about our most recent past history. We have furnished new fire proof drapes in the main dining hall at considerable expense to no one but the members and friends of JOY who helped to raise it. We are looking for a movie projector so we may add movies to our activities at the senior center. We are also seeking a 21-inch color television so that we may utilize the cable hookup and provide another dimension to our programming in the cooperation with our local cable television company.

There are plenty of things for us to do. We need you in short term commitments to help us in some of our programs. The senior center is open to the seniors of the community on Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Drop in and visit us! A surprising number of new volunteers were "born" in just this way. As added information the Council on Aging tries to make available to townspeople as well as civic groups the use of the hall facility for parties, fund raising functions. We visualize this broadening of usage as a partnership with the community as well as principle that we all can work together for the common good. This kind of cooperation benefits us all.

In conclusion, we would be remiss if we did not mention the excellent rapport we have had with the School Department and the Superintendent of Schools in being able to share the vision of a partnership in fact of "youth" as numbers not being the indicator for productivity or usefulness, but the active involvement of all ages in life "life." We have tentatively begun to enter into some shared area of learning with the School Department. The COS has jointly with the Department of Elder Affairs and the School Department shared in a workshop on Aging and Advocacy for the Elderly with a number of senior students participating. Mrs. Beth Burgess has addressed the senior participating in this program and, as a result of the interest shown by the young people and administration of the School Department, is co-writing a specific curriculum for possible use in the school this coming year.

We have been good tenants. Good for the building and good for the schools, both public and private. Many repairs have been done by us at our own expense such as installing storm windows, ceiling fans to help with heat distribution in winter and cooling in summer, new drapes, plumbing repairs, painting and general maintenance. However, there remain a few areas in which we feel we need some help. The emergency door framework in the dining hall is shot; it must be replaced. The kitchen door needs a new security lock. The parking must be more defined as more and more of our elderly and more frail elders must walk further because all available space is taken by others. None of these are problems that cannot be overcome and taken care of. We trust they will in the coming year be resolved to the satisfaction of all involved.

The times, they are changing! It is true. Things will be different in a few years from

now. That is the way of life and nature and man. Your Council on Aging will try its best to respond to all the changes that come its way and provide the best possible services and assistance to the seniors of West Bridgewater. We thank you the townspeople for giving us the means and the opportunity to do so.

Respectfully,

Beth Burgess, *Chairman*
Marjorie MacDonald, *Vice-Chairman*
Doris Sandrock, *Secretary*
Joseph McMorrow, *Treasurer*
Edwin Grover
Virginia Michaels
Samuel Feinberg
Millicent Lucier
Winnifred Manzer
David Cohen
Kenneth Hollis
Lloyd Sears

Report of the Municipal Building Needs and Use Committee

In September of 1985, the Board of Selectmen charged the Municipal Buildings Needs and Use Committee with its duties and functions within the town of West Bridgewater. We were asked to appraise the needs of town departments that sought our help. We, then, were to report our findings and recommendations to the Board of Selectmen.

By January of 1986 the Municipal Buildings Needs and Use Committee had toured and completed reports on the Town Hall, the Howard School roof and the Highway/Forestry departments. This committee stands ready and willing to assist any town department in inspecting one's facilities in regards to maintenance, needs and proper usage.

The committee does have one overall concern to present to the town. Each department, however small, should begin now to develop a five-year maintenance plan to ensure the efficient and economical operation of its department for today and tomorrow. Funds for upkeep and maintenance are largely ignored and/or downgraded.

Money spent today will reap its rewards in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

John Bottini, *Chairman*
Joseph Kennedy, *Clerk*
Richard McMahon
Joseph McMorrow
Henry Podolsky

Report of the Fire Department

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my annual report as Chief of the Fire Department of the Town of West Bridgewater for the year 1985.

Personnel

The personnel of the Fire Department consists of the following: one (1) permanent Chief, one(1) permanent Deputy Chief, three (3) permanent Lieutenants, four (4) permanent firefighters, one (1) Call Captain, and nineteen (19) call firefighters. All of the eight (8) permanent firefighters are certified as Emergency Medical Technicians, both by the National Association of EMT's and by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as well as two (2) of the call firefighters.

Apparatus

Engine #1, 1978 Hendrickson/Farrar 1250 GPM pumper, Engine #2, 1959 Seagrave/Chevrolet 750 GPM pumper, Combination #1, 1968 Pierre-Thibault/Dodge (4 wheel drive) 500 GPM auxiliary pump, Combination #2, 1967 Ford (4 wheel drive), Ladder #1, 1953 Mack 85' Aerial Ladder, placed in service in March of this year after being purchased from the Town of West Springfield, Mass., Rescue #1, 1963 Ford Step Van, Ambulance #1, 1984 Horton/Chevrolet, Chief's Car, 1979 Pontiac Wagon.

The former Combination #2, 1945 Chevrolet 500 GPM (front mounted) pump, was retired in September of this year due to age and unavailability of parts for needed repairs.

Statistical Report

During the year 1985 the Fire Department responded to a total of one thousand one hundred and thirty-five (1,135) calls. Of this figure, six hundred and twenty-two (622) were ambulance calls.

Permits Issued/Inspections made:

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| Smoke Detectors: | 102 |
| Burning/Brush: | 511 |
| Wood Stoves: | 35 |
| Cookout: | 200 |
| LP Gas: | 80 |
| Gunpowder: | 15 |
| Rocket: | 10 |
| Oil Burner: | 100 |

Drills and Training Program

Monthly drills are conducted for all personnel of the Fire Department in an effort to keep personnel familiar with the equipment and its uses and functions. All members of the department are recertified annually in Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation as required by state law.

Inspections

As mandated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in 1982, all properties sold are required to be inspected for a sufficient number of operating smoke detectors. In line with this, many banks are requiring smoke detector and wood stove inspections for remortgage and home improvement loans.

Due to the lack of daytime, on duty, manpower and the above mandated inspections, we are unable to provide regular inspections of industrial, commercial and mercantile establishments on a regular basis. This condition tends to hamper our familiarity with on-going changes in the community.

Also as mandated by the Commonwealth, inspections were made and decals and stickers were applied to sixty (60) trucks engaged in the transportation of Flammable Fluids, classes A & B.

Fire Prevention

Regular inspections were made at all schools as well as supervised fire drills. Fire prevention lectures were given at the elementary level during fire prevention week in October. All other buildings or locations where fire hazards were observed or where complaints were received were inspected and corrective action was taken.

“Red Ball” stickers and “Invalid” stickers were placed on all homes in the town where requested. These stickers, which locate children and/or invalids, are an invaluable tool in helping firefighters to find these individuals in the event that a problem should occur. Any town resident wishing to have these stickers placed on their home may do so by contacting the department at 586-4137.

Right to Know Law

As set forth by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Right to Know Law became effective on September 26, 1984. The enforcement and coordination of this law in the Town of West Bridgewater falls under the jurisdiction of the Fire Department. I, as Chief of the Fire Department, have been appointed as Municipal Coordinator under this law. Deputy Chief Leonard T. Hunt has been appointed as Acting Municipal Coordinator to assist me with this law.

This is a very complex law and, fortunately, we have been called in to investigate only a few incidents to date.

Requests and Recommendations

Due to the age of much of the equipment that is presently in service, a program of replacement is being projected for the future. In lieu of anticipated growth in the community, we must prepare ourselves to meet the type of incidents that will inevitably occur with this growth. Therefore this year, I am requesting that funds be appropriated to replace Engine 2, purchased in 1959, which is presently our first responding piece of apparatus on all structural types of fires. This truck, which is 26+ years old, has, within the last year, been out of service for a period of six (6) weeks because of the unavailability of replacement parts. Existing parts were removed and rebuilt to provide for its continued use.

Within the next few years, it is my intention to replace Rescue #1, a 1963 Ford step van. This vehicle would be replaced with a “Rescue/Pumper,” which would help to increase the overall pumping capacity within the department, to offset the forementioned growth in the community, and would still allow us to carry the equipment presently on this apparatus. The end result would be a truck that is more versatile for the town.

Consideration must also be given, in the not too distant future, to the replacement of the Fire Alarm Panel at the fire station. This equipment, which at this point is 20+ years old, has reached a point of full capacity and obsolescence. Any future additions to this system will tend to tax its capabilities.

I am also requesting this year that serious consideration be given to the addition of one (1) more permanent firefighter/EMT-A. As previously mentioned in the “Fire

Prevention" section of this report, the lack of "On duty" daytime personnel seriously curtails our ability to perform the many duties which fall under our jurisdiction. This firefighter/EMT-A, if hired, would be assigned to the day shift, enabling the Chief of Shift Officer to carry out inspections of wood stoves, oil burners, smoke detectors, etc.

In closing, I would like to thank the Officers and men of the fire department for their continued cooperation and support. Building Inspector Robert Robichaud for his invaluable assistance, and all the individuals who comprise the Boards, Committees, and departments of the town for assistance given to the fire department over the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles A. Dyke
Chief

West Bridgewater Cable Television Committee Annual Report for 1985

To the Board of Selectmen,
West Bridgewater, Massachusetts:

The Cable Television Committee held 13 meetings during 1985. Each meeting was attended by a representative of Continental Cablevision of Southern Massachusetts, Inc.

The committee closely monitored Continental Cablevision during the construction and marketing period in West Bridgewater which was conducted in April 1985. At the end of this period, Continental reported to the committee that there were 1,028 subscribers in the town.

The Third Quarter Complaint Form, which Continental submitted to the committee in November, shows five interruptions of service, one complaint with respect to service other than television, and three miscellaneous complaints for the year. This does not include the outages caused by Hurricane Gloria in September.

The opening of the town cable television studio, which was scheduled to take place June 4, 1985, was postponed to September 4, 1985, due to the delay in the town and Continental signing an appropriate lease for space at the Spring Street School. The opening of the studio was further delayed when the possibility arose of relocating the town library in the "B" Wing of the Spring Street School.

At this time, no alternative site has been found for the town cable television studio. Until the studio is in operation, the Institutional Loop ("I"-Loop) cannot be activated and the training of townspeople in the use of cable television equipment cannot take place. Further, no use could be made of the money in the 1985 local programming operations budget that is due to the town.

The committee feels that our efforts in 1986 should be directed toward seeing the town cable television studio is open as soon as possible, and assuring that, once it is operational, it will be operated for the maximum benefit of the town.

Respectfully submitted,

Herbert Billet, *Chairman*
Louis Cabana, *Vice Chairman*
Richard Bagley, *Clerk*
Samuel Feinberg, *Member*
James Grandfield, *Member*
Peter Turner, *Member*

Report of the Highway Department

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As Superintendent of Streets, I should like to submit my annual report for 1985.

RESURFACING TYPE I-1:

During the past year, the Highway Department chipsealed Ash Street, 6,911.00 square yards; Bryant Street, 6,490 square yards; Prospect Street, 5,044.44 square yards; Grant Street, 3,332 square yards; Francis Avenue and Buttonwood Avenue, 2,544.44 square yards. The total square yardage of these streets was 17,410.88 of stoneseal. This procedure has been beneficial to the town by extending the life of the roads. Preparation work under Chapter 90 was begun on Crescent Street but was halted due to Hurricane Gloria and the following six weeks of clean up with the Forestry Department and the Fire Department. Thank you for your help in carrying brush to the roadsides and patience with our street by street removal of debris.

NEW CONSTRUCTION:

The Highway Department relocated the island at the Town Hall parking lot. During the construction, drainage was installed in the parking area consisting of two basins and 175 feet of 12" pipe. A new dry well basin was installed on Union Street.

SNOW:

The hired contractors and men of the Highway, Water and Forestry Departments have done a commendable job of keeping the roads safe and passable by sanding and plowing during the winter months. Your cooperation in honoring winter parking bans is greatly appreciated.

MAINTENANCE:

All roadsides have been mowed two to three times during the summer months. The roads and sidewalks have been swept throughout the town. The highwaymen have continued their regular maintenance; patching pot holes and water trenches; spraying curbs and basins with weed killer; maintaining and repairing the fleet and equipment; cleaning catch basins, culverts and waterways; picking up dead animals; repairing of berms and seeding of grass; painting of guard rails; and striping traffic lines. The Highway Department spends a great deal of time and energy picking trash along the roadways of West Bridgewater. Damaged and vandalized signs were repaired and cleaned; 163 signs and 94 posts were replaced during the course of the year.

The one-ton dump truck and new sander approved at last year's town meeting have been put into use and are serving the town to their best capacities.

TRANSFER STATION:

The landfill attendant, Mr. Bussey, is doing an excellent job on site. The sticker program continues to be in effect. Due to circumstances beyond my control, the cost of the transfer station has skyrocketed. The increases are those imposed on us by landfill companies. Alternative solutions are being sought to combat these escalating costs. Every effort will be made to seek the best solution. The final decision will be yours to vote upon at the Annual Town Meeting along with other proposed articles.

The five men of the Highway Department have been extremely busy for the year 1985 in maintenance, making this department a successful service to the townspeople

of West Bridgewater. I should like to thank them for their fine work, my wife for her secretarial skills, the Board of Selectmen and all Town Departments and individuals for their cooperation and support. It has been both a pleasure and privilege for me to continue serving the taxpayers of the Town of West Bridgewater as their Highway Superintendent for the past four years.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald E. Newman
Highway Superintendent

Report of the Housing Authority

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Esther Drive Elderly Housing Project has just completed its thirteenth year of occupancy and no additional housing is in sight.

A "Request for Proposal" for additional housing was recently received from the Executive Office of Communities and Development. In regards to elderly housing, priority will be given to congregate housing for older people to the extent indicated by local need. In the Chapter 705 program, which is the family housing program, the EOCD will expand efforts to increase the availability of rental housing for large families.

Funding for these programs will be allocated in three funding rounds, the first application due in April, 1986.

Congregate housing is defined as a shared home for from three people or more who share living space, but who also have whatever degree of privacy they may need.

The West Bridgewater Housing Authority currently has fifty-two (52) applicants on the waiting list, with ten (10) of these West Bridgewater residents, who have first priority.

The West Bridgewater Housing Board wishes to thank the West Bridgewater Police Department, and all town departments who have been most helpful to the tenants of Esther Drive.

The tenant association of Esther Drive is very active, both at Esther Drive and at the senior center. They are most supportive of all activities at the center and all town activities.

A special thanks to the Bridgewater Visiting Nurse Association for making the blood pressure clinic available at Esther Drive on the fourth Thursday of each month. This is also available to all senior citizens of the town.

A "thank you" also to the Council-on-Aging for providing transportation to those elderly of Esther Drive who need transport to lunches, doctor, store, etc. It is much appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,
Dorothy A. Holmgren, *Ex. Director*
Albert M. Greiner, *Chairman*
Richard C. Williams, *Vice-Chairman*
Carl R. Bystrom, *Treasurer*
Marion H. Bartell, *State member, Asst. Treasurer*
Robert L. Kellie

The West Bridgewater Historical Commission

The West Bridgewater Historical Commission achieved numerous goals in 1985. Finishing projects already underway and discussing ideas for 1986, the commission enjoyed a productive year.

During 1985 our members researched 12 additional inventory forms and filed them with the Massachusetts Historical Commission in Boston. In total, 40 forms out of 150 have been completed. Each inventory form detailed the historic background of a building, bridge or site in West Bridgewater. Copies of these documents are on file and available to the public in the West Bridgewater Town Library.

In helping to preserve history, the Historical Commission made arrangements with the new owner of the Samuel Edson House to donate 1,500 18thc. bricks and one fireback dated 1703, salvaged from the renovation site, to the town of West Bridgewater and the Old Bridgewater Historical Society respectively. From the same house, the commission carefully dismantled and preserved the 18thc. stairway and bannister and 19thc. window frames, donating them to a local restorer of old homes.

Of special interest, students from Mr. DeMello's "Top Hat" class at the Howard School undertook the exciting job of interviewing Mr. Frances Berry and Mr. Charles Millet to record their early recollections and acquired knowledge of West Bridgewater history. They not only enjoyed their assignment but helped to preserve local history.

Within the commission, Mr. Frances Berry and Mr. Stephen Dias resigned during the last year and were duly replaced by new members Karen Hofmann and Susan Cross.

The West Bridgewater Historical Commission gratefully acknowledges the cooperation of town departments in making Tercentenary Day a huge success. Everyone particularly enjoyed the mock revolutionary battle in an appropriate setting across the river from the Rev. James Keith parsonage. The commission hopes everyone will join in our next historical celebration this Spring.

Larence Conant, *Chairman*
Nancy Bell
Lucia Marcotte
Karen Hofmann
Susan Cross

Report of the Canine Control

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the citizens of West Bridgewater:
The following is the report of the Dog Officer for 1985:

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| Dogs impounded | 108 |
| Dogs claimed by owners | 40 |
| Dogs destroyed | 29 |
| Dogs adopted | 39 |

My sincere thanks to the West Bridgewater Police Department for all their assistance throughout the year, and to the citizens of West Bridgewater for their support.

Julie Vivace
Canine Control Department

Report of the Inspector of Wires

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I respectfully submit my annual report as the Inspector of Wires for the year of 1985.

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| Services | 138 |
| Rough Wires | 49 |
| Construction Services | 3 |
| Outlets | 5 |
| Electric Ranges | 6 |
| Electric Dryers | 4 |
| Water Heaters | 5 |
| Oil Burners | 8 |
| Miscellaneous | 8 |
| Pools | 10 |
| Finals | 10 |
| Not Accepted | 3 |
| Lock Outs | 4 |
| Meters | 7 |
| Storm Services | 30 |
| Fire Calls | 3 |

The latest edition of the Massachusetts State Electrical Code was used as a basis for all inspections, with no special rules.

My thanks to the Board of Selectmen, the Building Inspector, and the Town Clerk's office for all the assistance given to this office, and the Townspeople of West Bridgewater.

Respectfully submitted,

Albert M. Greiner
Inspector of Wires

Report of the By-Law Study Committee

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The codification of the town by-laws is continuing. It is expected that they will be completed sometime this year and that the committee will be able to begin a serious study of improvements that can be made.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Colandrea
Charles A. Pickering
Grete Bohannon
Stewart Young
Donald Kennedy

Report of the Industrial Development Commission

Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Industrial Development Commission is pleased to report that the Committee's philosophy of steady continued growth of the commercial and industrial base of the town is continuing.

The assessed value of commercial and industrial property in our town in 1985 was \$33,913,500. If you factor in commercial residential property the total increase is over \$40,000,000. The stabilization of our tax rate should continue with increases in valuation in 1986 and 1987. The commitment made by Eastern Edison and the Brockton Enterprise along with several reliable developers will continue this trend.

The IDC continues to pursue commercial and industrial development that future generations can be proud of. We are also working with existing businesses within the town on expansion and other problems that they may have.

The IDC extends its sincere thanks to all other town Boards and Committees that have helped us attract commercial and industrial growth to the town of West Bridgewater.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald L. MacIver
Leon Beaulieu
Frank Miller
William E. Turner, Jr.
Samuel J. Read

Report of the Industrial Development Financing Authority

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

1985 was a quiet one for the I.D.F.A.

Occasional inquiries came in during the course of the year but no applications were presented to us.

It should probably be noted that on a statewide level there was a high demand for revenue bond financing this year, so much so that all the monies allotted this program for 1985 were gone well before the year ended.

Carl Turner resigned as a member of this committee due to a change of residency and a replacement should be considered.

Respectfully submitted,

Madelyn T. Burke, *Chairman*
Donald L. MacIver
Joseph L. McMorro
Robert L. Smith

Report of the Data Processing Advisory Committee

We, the members of the Data Processing Advisory Committee, respectfully submit the following report for 1985.

The members of the committee continue to provide assistance to the Town departments in reviewing proposals for providing Data Processing services as requested throughout the year.

We are currently working with the Plymouth County Treasurers office on a proposal to provide various Data Processing services for the Town. These services would include Payroll, Accounting and utility billing.

Respectfully submitted,
Data Processing Advisory Committee
William R. Brown, Jr.
Lawrence Conant
Everett B. Tufts, Jr.

Report of the Librarian

To the Trustees of the Public Library:

This has been a busy and productive year for the Library. We have increased hours, added new staff members, reinstated children's services, and participated in a cooperative library project.

Last year the Library was open 27 hours per week. It is now open 34 hours per week, including four mornings and one evening.

Connie Keating has joined the Staff as a part-time Library Technician. Paula Lacouture is the new Senior Library Technician for Children's Services.

During the summer, the Library offered an eight week Reading Program, in which 68 children participated. Under the supervision of Library Pages, Meg Mitchell and Deb Rich, the children enjoyed weekly activities, crafts programs, and a party. Mrs. Lacouture has provided weekly storytime sessions for three and four year olds, after school activities for older children, holiday parties, and attractive displays of children's materials.

Library patrons have benefitted from West Bridgewater's participation in BrInc (Bridgewater's Information Center), an LSCA funded project to improve interlibrary loan services and to provide free online database reference searching. Patrons are able to borrow, through their local library, books from many Massachusetts libraries and to receive current, in-depth reference information from a variety of computer databases.

Ongoing projects include weeding, retrospective conversion, and bar coding of the Library's collection; shifting books to provide shelf space for new titles being added to the collection; inventory and cataloging of paperbacks; preparation of book lists and displays; and organization of record albums and vertical file materials.

My thanks to the Board, the Staff, the Friends, and our patrons for their encouragement and support.

Respectfully submitted,
Marjorie Johnson, M.L.S.
Library Director

Report of the Trustees of the West Bridgewater Public Library

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The year 1985 has been a busy and sometimes difficult one for our Library. In March our Director, Jane Ouderkirk, went to a position at the State Board of Library Commissioners. Under the leadership of Marilyn Raleigh, Senior Technician, the Staff managed valiantly during an interregnum of three months, while we searched for a new director.

We also lost three valued Trustees—Barbara Perkins and Bruce Edson by resignation and Mike Manugian by his decision not to run for re-election.

Under our new Director, Marjorie Johnson, the internal appearance of the Library has been greatly improved, and through the kindness of Trustee Laurel Swanson the exterior has been improved with planting. Staff has been augmented to restore the children's program and more open hours.

The Friends of the Library, chaired by Mariann Lorrain, have continued their support with the gift of an electronic typewriter, software for the Apple II, an on-going book sale, and some special children's programs and book sale.

Warrant appropriations have procured a more vandal-proof outside depository and an excellent copy machine, available for public use, for which much thanks to the Townspeople.

Perhaps our greatest concern has been and remains expansion. The LSCA Title II grant is currently in limbo because of lack of federal funds and a definite physical site. Two surveys were done on needs and services: a user survey circulated in the Library and a random telephone survey conducted and collated at great expenditure of time by the Friends. Both surveys were consistent in pointing out the space limitations of the Library for reference work, children's area, browsing, and program space. Eighty per cent of the respondents to each survey indicated their support of a building program.

WEST BRIDGEWATER PUBLIC LIBRARY: BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE, compiled by professional library consultants, and a feasibility study of the Spring Street site, which we were earlier this year encouraged to consider, indicated the practicality and probable economy of using a wing of the Spring Street School. These surveys and reports are available at the Library.

However, in October the School Committee produced a school building needs report indicating probable future need for classroom space at Spring Street, and thenceforward it has remained firm in a decision not to release any space there for a Town Library.

Consequently, the Trustees feel that the best long-term solution to our problem is a free-standing facility—hopefully on the old Drury Hall site, certainly a beautiful location. The Trustees appreciate the Townspeople's recognition of our needs by their authorization of the initial architectural study fees last April, and we earnestly seek your support of our building program, which will provide an adequate library for years to come and one of which West Bridgewater will be proud.

Respectfully submitted,
Wayne Legge, *Chairman*
Helen Millet, *Secretary*
Herb Billett
Kathleen Fenstermaker
Jim Grandfield
Laurel Swanson

Report of the Inspector of Gasfitting

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby respectfully submit my annual report for the year 1985.

There were 66 gas applications filed for gasfitting permits for the year.

There were 75 gasfitting inspections made in the following type of buildings:

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| New Dwellings | 8 |
| Old Dwellings | 41 |
| Commercial Buildings | 17 |
| Public Buildings | 0 |

There were 72 gas appliances installed.

There were 2 propane gas installations.

The Massachusetts State Gas Code is used as a basis for all gasfitting installations.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph F. Donovan

Inspector of Gasfitting

Report of the Inspector of Plumbing

To the Honorable Board of Health:

I respectfully submit my annual report as the Inspector of Plumbing for the year 1985.

There were 155 plumbing applications filed for plumbing permits.

There were 238 plumbing inspections made in the following types of buildings:

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| New Dwellings | 8 |
| Old Dwellings | 61 |
| Commercial Buildings | 15 |
| Public Buildings | 0 |
| Trailers | 71 |

There were 4 water heaters installed.

The Massachusetts State Plumbing Code is used as a basis for all plumbing installations.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph F. Donovan

Inspector of Plumbing

Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project

The Commissioners of the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project are pleased to submit the following report of our activities during 1985.

The Project is a special district created by the State Legislature in 1957, and is now composed of twenty-two (22) Plymouth County towns, the City of Brockton, and the Town of Cohasset in Norfolk County. The Project is a mechanism for organizing specialized equipment, specially trained employees and mosquito control professionals to carry out the single function of mosquito control over a broad geographic area. The Project now provides environmentally sound mosquito control to an area of approximately 650 square miles.

Calendar year 1985 was one of expansion. On July 1, the Town of Halifax joined the program. The Project finally was able to acquire additional badly needed equipment, including three pickup trucks, a flatbed truck, an excavator for use on the Salt Marsh, two sprayers and a complete complement of survey equipment. A laboratory to sort, identify and count field-caught mosquitoes was completed. The information gathered from trap collections and field surveys is important to the integrated pest management approach used by the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project.

In summary, 1985 began with a dryer than normal spring and early summer. Prior to mid-August, complaints of nuisance mosquitoes were often scattered and could be attributed to a single local breeding site. This made source reduction simple and effective. In late summer, increased frequency of rainfall led to a more broad scale problem requiring increased spraying for adult mosquitoes. Concern about transmission of eastern equine encephalitis to both horses and humans also surfaced at the end of the summer. However, no cases occurred in Massachusetts although virus-positive mosquitoes were collected.

The figures specific to the Town of West Bridgewater are given below. While mosquitoes do not respect political boundaries, the information below does provide a tally of those activities which had the greatest impact on the health and comfort of town residents.

1. *Insecticide Application.* 2,048 acres were treated using truck mounted sprayers for control of adult mosquitoes. More than one application was made to the same site if mosquitoes reinvaded the area. The first treatments were made in May and the last in September. The average complaint response time was less than 24 hours.

1A. *Aerial Application.* Larviciding woodland swamps by airplane before the leaves come out on the trees can be very effective. In West Bridgewater this year we aerially larvicided 1,000 acres.

We encourage citizens or municipal officials to call our office for information about mosquitoes, mosquito-borne diseases, control practices, or any other matters of concern.

Commissioners:
Frank E. Parris, *Chairman*
Carolyn Brennan, *Secretary*
William J. Mara
G. Ward Stetson
Richard E. Krugger, Sr.

Kenneth W. Ludlam, Ph.D.
Superintendent

Report of the Old Colony Planning Council

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and residents of the Town of West Bridgewater:

As your representatives to the Old Colony Planning Council, we are pleased to present this report of the Council's activities for 1985.

During the year, the program of the Council was concentrated in three major areas: Economic and Community Development; Transportation and Transit Planning; and, Area Agency on Aging Planning including the coordination and implementation of elder service programs.

The Economic Development activities of the Council involved the preparation of the annual update of the Overall Economic Development Program report which includes a listing of local capital improvements important to economic growth and development. The Council also acts on Industrial Revenue Bond applications which are initiated within the planning district to assist firms in financing new or expanded facilities. In 1985 the Council acted upon 23 Industrial Revenue Bond applications totalling almost 51 million dollars for area businesses. The total compares with the 41 million dollars approved in 1984 and 24 million dollars approved in 1983 for a three year total of well over 115 million dollars of economic development investment in the area. The communities benefiting under the program in 1985 were: Avon—\$21,300,000; Bridgewater—\$3,300,000; Brockton—\$8,000,000; Easton—\$5,000,000; Plymouth—\$9,000,000; Stoughton—\$3,600,000; and Whitman—\$650,000.

Other Economic Development activities of the Council included the coordination of regional development activities through the Overall Economic Development Program (OEDP) Committee chaired by Mr. Joseph Joseph, Executive Director of the Brockton Area Private Industry Council. At the request of the OEDP Committee the Council conducted an employer/employee transportation needs survey of the Avon and Easton Industrial parks. The results of the survey are expected to be available in early 1986. Other activities included assistance with the Regional Job Fair and providing technical assistance to local communities in their efforts to attract industry.

Assistance to local communities in their various community development activities included: grant management for the Community Development Block Grant for the Avon Industrial Park-West; grant preparation and assistance with proposed zoning changes for the town of Abington; Whitman grant preparation; Stoughton grant preparation and the completion of a local water study; East Bridgewater grant preparation and assistance with local Community Development Action Grant (CDAG); Halifax grant preparation; Pembroke assistance with local water study; and Plymouth assistance with preparation of proposed Economic Development Administration grant for waterfront expansion.

Staff was also involved with the preparation, receipt and administration of a State supported Energy Grant which provides energy assistance to local industrial firms in OCPC area. To date ten firms have taken advantage of the grants and have received the engineering analysis for their companies. The OCPC staff was successful in obtaining two (2) tri-town grants from the Executive Office of Communities and Development (EOCD) under the Incentive Aid Program. The first, a planning study involving the Towns of Abington, Avon and Stoughton is underway and nearing completion. The second, also a planning study, involves the Towns of Whitman, Halifax and East Bridgewater and will be starting early next year.

The transportation and transit planning activities of the Council during the year required the preparation of a number of documents necessary for the area communities to continue to remain eligible for transportation improvement program funds from the

federal and state governments. Among these were the Transportation Plan update; Transportation Improvement Program and a Prospectus of the Region. During the past year the Council also completed studies on three long-standing and unresolved transportation issues identified in the Transportation Plan Refinement. These issues included: The Route 123 Traffic Study; The Bridgewater Center Traffic Study; and the Plymouth, Kingston, Carver and Plympton Rural Transit Survey.

The Traffic Counting Program of the Council was in full swing this past year. OCPC conducted approximately 160 traffic counts for member communities. The traffic counts also provide accurate up-to-date information for OCPC technical reports such as: The Bridgewater Center; Route 123 and Route 53 Traffic Studies.

In 1985, OCPC completed the first year of the Accident Data recording system. The communities participating in the program now have available at OCPC a full year of accident statistics on computer that can be quickly and accurately retrieved and sorted at their request.

During the past year the Council prepared and submitted to the Department's newly established Transportation Operation Problem Solving (TOPS) Team a list of problem intersections within the OCPC Region. The TOPS program effort is a pilot project aimed at developing immediate results for minor intersection problems. Three problem intersections will be given attention: Route 123 at Route 18 in Abington; Route 139 at Route 18 in Abington; and Reynolds Memorial Highway (Route 27) at Pearl Street in Brockton.

The Council also completed the Easton/Raynham Commuter Rail Feasibility Study. The study explored the feasibility of extending the Stoughton Commuter Rail Service to the Easton/Raynham. Other long-term strategies of the Council included restoring commuter rail service to the Old Colony region as part of a cooperative effort with the Plymouth County Development Council and the Brockton Regional Chamber of Commerce.

The Council also continued its work in monitoring and planning for the Brockton Area Transit (BAT) System. During the past year Bridgewater joined BAT and is currently working toward a goal of establishing a Dial-A-BAT service in January. In addition, BAT also signed an agreement with the architectural firm of Louis Berger and Associates to prepare design and construction documents for restoration of the Stoughton Commuter Rail Station. During the past year the Council also assisted local public and private agencies in filing applications for 16(b) (2) vehicles.

The Council acting as the Area Agency on Aging was responsible for administering Older Americans Act monies allocated to the region. The Area Agency funded and coordinated a wide range of community, in-home, and nutritional services for elders.

District communities directly benefiting from Title III grants from the Area Agency include: Avon, Nutritional Program; Brockton, Dorn Davies Senior Center; Hanson, Social Day Care Program; Kingston, Nutritional Program; Pembroke, Communication Equipment; Plymouth, Senior Center Staffing.

In addition to the direct funding to these communities, several other programs are administered regionally for the benefit of elders in the entire service area. These programs include the Volunteer Transportation Program and Nursing Home Ombudsman Program administered by the Area Agency. Old Colony Elderly Services administers the Emergency Assistance Program for elders and the Six Town Minibus Program for the communities of Avon, East Bridgewater, West Bridgewater, Halifax, Hanson and Whitman. Other programs administered regionally include the Senior Law Project, home health aide and respite care, and several hospice programs.

Nutrition services in the form of congregate and home delivered meals are made available through Title III-C monies in many communities in the service area. Several

communities including Avon, Carver, Kingston, Middleboro receive assistance to prepare meals locally. Many other communities participate in the nutrition program administered by Old Colony Elderly Services receiving prepared meals from a caterer.

In 1985, Charles A. Pickering of West Bridgewater was elected as President of OCPC; John J. DeMarco of Avon was elected as Council Secretary; and James A. Kassos of Brockton was elected as Council Treasurer for the year.

The Council gratefully acknowledges the generous support and cooperation of its member communities, the participation and involvement of members of the Joint Transportation Committee chaired by Mr. John Yaney; the Overall Economic Development Committee chaired by Mr. Joseph Joseph and the Area Agency on Aging Advisory Committee chaired by Mr. John Mather. The Council also recognizes the work of local boards and commissions and the many government agencies, public and private institutions and individuals who have assisted the Council.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles Pickering, *Delegate*

Report of the Planning Board

To the residents of West Bridgewater, we, the members of the Planning Board, submit this our annual report of our activities for the year 1985.

The Planning Board held twenty-seven (27) meetings throughout the year, including four (4) Public Hearings and two (2) special meetings with the Board of Selectmen. There were twenty-six (26) applications for approvals (Form A) for situations where the Subdivision Law purportedly did not apply, with three (3) of these applications being initially denied and later approved upon revision. We reviewed three (3) Preliminary Plans, received three (3) Definitive Plans for subdivisions, and approved (3) Definitive Plans. Recommendation was made to the Selectmen on one (1) earth removal matter. Public Hearings were held on rezoning matters on Pleasant Street and Walnut Street with reports duly made to the Town.

The Board held five (5) meetings concerning the progress at the Matfield Woods Mobile Home Park and thirteen (13) meetings on the issues surrounding the possible addition of a "cluster zoning—Townhouse" By-law.

The Planning Board again wishes to express its appreciation for the fine cooperation it has received from all Town Departments, with special recognition again to the consistent helpfulness of our Town Clerk, Mrs. Anna Brown.

Respectfully submitted,
Wilfred G. Howard, *Chairman*
Howard A. Anderson, *Vice Chairman*
D. Christopher Cross, *Clerk*
Steven Wood
Grete M. Bohannon

Report of the Police Department

I herewith submit the Annual Report of the West Bridgewater Police Department for the year 1985:

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| Complaints | 2,861 |
| Investigations | 7,648 |
| Breaking & Entering | 83 |
| Larceny | 184 |
| Arrests (Total) | 558 |
| Male Adult | 481 |
| Female Adult | 48 |
| Male Juvenile | 26 |
| Female Juvenile | 3 |

Following is a breakdown of some of the activity listed above. This does not include traffic violations or misdemeanors.

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| Assault & Battery | 28 |
| Robberies | 5 |
| Breaks (Residential) | 40 |
| Breaks (Commercial) | 43 |
| Larceny More | 110 |
| Larceny Less | 74 |
| Rapes | 1 |
| Attempted Rapes | 0 |
| Indecent Assault & Battery | 3 |
| Operating Under the Influence | 88 |
| Open & Gross Lewdness | 2 |
| Child Abuse | 0 |

MISCELLANEOUS

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| Accidents (Total) | 645 |
| Buildings Found Open | 63 |
| Assist Ambulance | 317 |
| Transport to Mental Health Facility | 22 |
| Assist Other Towns | 326 |
| Officer Assaulted | 2 |
| Fire Calls Covered | 85 |
| Bomb Scares | 2 |
| Alarms Answered | 824 |
| Missing Persons | 5 |
| Vehicles Stolen | 24 |
| Vehicles Recovered | 53 |
| Unexpected Deaths | 7 |
| Incapacitated Persons | 59 |
| Robberies | 5 |
| Vandalism | 70 |
| Alarms Answered | 824 |
| Alarms Answered (False) | 816 |
| Kidnapping | 2 |

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| Attempted Suicide at Station | 1 |
| UFO's Reported | 1 |
| Value of Property Stolen | \$297,878. |
| Value of Property Recovered | \$176,823. |

TRAFFIC

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| Accidents | 645 |
| Fatals | 1 |
| Property Damage | 262 |
| With Injuries | 183 |

CITATIONS

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| Warnings | 987 |
| Non-Criminal | 1627 |
| Arrests & Court | 1998 |
| Total Citations | 4612 |

MONIES RETURNED TO THE TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER—1985

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| Pistol Permits Issued | \$ 330.00 |
| Licenses to Sell Firearms & Ammunition | 122.00 |
| Firearms Identification Cards | 62.00 |
| Receipts for Copies of Police Reports | 1,291.50 |
| Parking Fines from Plymouth County | 2,141.94 |
| Fines from Brockton District Court | 106,929.00 |
| Work Permits Issued (Sundays & Holidays) | 180.00 |
| Total Receipts to Town | \$111,055.94 |

The construction of an addition is well underway. The Building Committee has met many, many times throughout the year, and has entered into a contractual agreement with the architect with the approval of the Board of Selectmen. The architectural firm selected is J. Glenn Hughes of Norton, Mass. Plans and Specifications for the Police Station Addition are expected to be completed for bidding purposes by the end of May of 1986, with construction to begin sometime during the summer. It is expected that the addition will give the Police Department much needed space for several years into the future. Thanks are due to the Building Committee, the Board of Selectmen for their untiring efforts in this direction.

Due to the increases in the growth of the Town, particularly in the business and industrial areas, both present and on the drawing board, I am recommending the addition of one more Police Officer. The commercial growth is concentrated on the west side of Town and is expanding more rapidly than the Town can absorb it. This unprecedented growth not only requires a Police presence in the area of the growth, but affects all other areas of Town and is most clearly demonstrated in the ever increasing traffic.

As we live in a litigious society, the best defense against potential liability of the Town through the Police Department is the professional training of the Police Officers. In-service training focuses on the circumstances under which weapons are to be used, which is most important. All Police Officers are required to devote a minimum of forty hours per year to inservice training and additional time on the firing range to qualify

in the use of weapons. There are other aspects of law enforcement and police work in which the Officers are trained on a routine basis, none of which is more important than the above mentioned weapons training. However, training is on-going and, therefore, additional funds have been requested to maintain the training schedules.

It is with sadness that I note the retirement of Mr. Thomas MacQuinn who has worked very closely with the Police Department and has rendered many hours of assistance during emergencies over his many years of service to the Town. The Police Department will miss his many services.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the Board of Selectmen, the Finance Committee and all other Town Departments for their patience, understanding and many courtesies throughout the year, as well as to the Police Officers for their dedication.

Ervin G. Lothrop
Chief of Police

Report of the Trustees for Plymouth County Cooperative Extension Service

In accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth, Chapter 128, the Trustees for Plymouth County Cooperative Extension Service are empowered to receive, on behalf of the County, money appropriated by any town, or by the Federal Government for carrying out the provision of the Law, under which they are appointed.

Agents have made contacts during the past year in every community, either by public meetings, individual visits, group discussions and demonstrations, in attempting to assist the needs of the citizens toward helping to solve management problems, better living, and better community service. The Extension Service staff has been ably assisted by many local volunteer leaders.

A total expense of \$125.00 was incurred during the year for the purchase of material needed in carrying on the various Extension Programs. The appropriation made by your town was used for residents of the town and expended as follows:

EXPENSE 1984-1985

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| Books & Manuals Purchased for Town Officials . . . | \$ 10.00 |
| Town Director's Expense | — |
| Bulletins, Paper, etc. | 40.00 |
| 4-H School Programs | 60.00 |
| 4-H & Home Economic Leader Expense | 15.00 |
| TOTAL | <u>\$125.00</u> |

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

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| Current Appropriation | \$125.00 |
| Suggested Appropriation for 1986-1987 | 125.00 |

Respectfully submitted,

Trustees for County Cooperative Extension Service
Mary M. McBrady, *Director*
P.O. Box 658, High St., Hanson, MA 02341
Phone: 293-3541, 447-5946

Report of the Town Counsel

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The following is a report of the nature and the status of the litigation in which the Town of West Bridgewater is involved as of the date of this report:

CAMBRIDGE ANIMAL AID, INC.

v.

PLYMOUTH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND THE TOWN

In October 1982, the Plymouth County Commissioners voted to revoke the kennel license which had been issued by the Town to Cambridge Animal Aid, Inc., for the premises at 279 Pleasant Street in West Bridgewater. The license was revoked because the licensee had failed to comply with regulations issued by the County Commissioners. The licensee appealed such revocation to the Brockton District Court. The court, after a hearing, affirmed the action of the County Commissioners in revoking the license. The licensee filed a motion for a new trial which was denied by the Court. The licensee then appealed the Court's decision to the Appellate Division of the District Court Department, and the appeal is still pending.

FRANCIS M. SILVIA, ET AL

v.

BUILDING INSPECTOR OF TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER and TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER

This action was initially brought by the plaintiffs in the Plymouth County Superior Court in August of 1982 against the Building Inspector of the Town itself to enjoin the Town from allegedly interfering with the plaintiff's use of their land and to obtain damages for such alleged interference. The Town filed a counterclaim against the plaintiffs. In April 1984, the plaintiffs amended their complaint to add the following persons as additional defendants: Doris Haight, Michael Manugian, and Charles H. Johnson, former Selectmen; and Eldon F. Moreira and Charles A. Pickering, current Selectmen; Ervin G. Lothrop, Chief of Police; and J. Joseph Lydon, former Town Counsel. The amended complaint seeks substantial damages against said defendants for alleged violations of the plaintiff's civil rights. This matter is still pending in Court.

LAWRENCE W. WARDELL et al

v.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS et al

This is an appeal by the plaintiffs of a decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals granting a variance to the owners of the Canoe Club for the construction of a gazebo on its property. This case is scheduled for trial in the Plymouth Superior Court in April 1986.

PAUL L. LAMOUREUX

v.

DORIS HAIGHT, MICHAEL MANUGIAN, CHARLES H. JOHNSON, CHARLES A. PICKERING, ELDON F. MOREIRA, ERVIN G. LOTHROP AND J. JOSEPH LYDON

This is an action brought by Paul L. Lamoureux, a former police officer of the Town, in the United States District Court against Doris Haight, Michael Manugian and Charles H. Johnson, former Selectmen; Eldon F. Moreira and Charles A. Pickering,

current Selectmen; and Ervin G. Lothrop, Chief of Police. The complaint alleges that the defendants violated the civil rights of the plaintiff in the course of their conduct as Town officials with him in connection with an injury he sustained while serving as a police officer and seeks substantial damages for such alleged violations. This matter is still pending in Court. The defendants have filed a Motion to Dismiss the complaint which is scheduled to be heard on April 17, 1986. If such Motion is denied, the case will go to trial.

PLYMOUTH STREET AUTO PARTS, INC.

v.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

This is a complaint brought in the Plymouth County Superior Court by the plaintiff appealing the decision of the Board of Selectmen which revoked its Class 2 license to engage in the business of buying and selling second hand motor vehicles. This case is still pending in the Court.

BOARD OF HEALTH OF TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER

v.

**THOMAS DONAHUE, RALPH J. CIVITARESE
AND RICHARD J. CIVITARESE, TRUSTEES OF
AMERICAN MANUFACTURE HOME TRUST**

In January, 1985, the Board of Health brought a complaint in the Plymouth County Superior Court to enjoin the defendants from locating and installing any additional mobile homes at the Matfield Woods Mobile Home Park without the written authorization of the Board of Health. The Board also sought an injunction prohibiting the defendants from conveying to a third party a certain parcel of land consisting of 28.515 acres, which is included in the original site development plan for said Mobile Home Park, without the written authorization of the Planning Board and the Board of Health. Such injunctions were issued by the Court on February 4, 1985. The Board's complaint also requests the Court to order the defendants, after a hearing on the merits, to comply with the licensing requirements for mobile home parks set forth in Chapter 140 of the Massachusetts General Laws, to comply with the provisions of the Town's Mobile Home Park By-Law, and to comply with the provisions of a written Agreement between the Planning Board and the defendants, dated November 22, 1982. The preliminary injunctions are still in effect, and this matter is still pending in Court.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

v.

ROBERT R. MAY AND DORIS G. MAY

In January 1985, the Board of Selectmen brought a complaint in the Plymouth County Superior Court to enjoin the defendants from conducting at their premises at 104 Turnpike Street any business involving the buying and selling of second hand motor vehicles, the buying of second hand motor vehicles for the purpose of remodeling, taking apart of rebuilding the same, the buying and selling parts of second hand motor vehicles and tires and assembling second hand motor vehicle parts, and from storing junk automobiles on said premises. On July 1, 1985, the Superior Court entered a judgment in favor of the Town ordering the defendants to refrain from using their premises at said 104 Turnpike Street for any use or purpose which violate the provisions of Chapter 140 of the Massachusetts General Laws concerning the buying and selling of second hand motor vehicles or parts thereof or the provisions of the Zoning By-Law of the Town.

As the defendants have refused to comply with such order of the Court, the Board of Selectmen have brought a complaint for contempt against the defendants. Such complaint has been heard by the Court, but no decision has as yet been rendered.

THE READ CORPORATION

v.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

This is an appeal by the plaintiff of a decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals denying the plaintiff's request for a special permit to conduct light manufacturing on certain premises situated at 373 Crescent Street in West Bridgewater. This matter is still pending in the Superior Court.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

v.

THE READ CORPORATION ET AL

This is a complaint brought in the Superior Court against the defendants by the Board of Selectmen which seeks to restrain the defendants from using the premises at 373 Crescent Street in West Bridgewater for light manufacturing. This case is a companion case to the appeal by The Read Corporation from the decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals mentioned above. Both matters are still pending in Court.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

v.

PAUL F. SMITH AND JACQUELINE M. SMITH

This is a complaint brought by the Board of Selectmen in the Superior Court against the defendants to enjoin them from storing any box trailers on their premises at 30 Sunset Avenue, West Bridgewater. A preliminary injunction was issued by the Court on September 23, 1985, enjoining the defendants from storing any box trailers on said premises.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

v.

JAMES VIVACE AND ALMA V. VIVACE

This is a complaint brought by the Board of Selectmen in the Superior Court against the defendants to enjoin them from locating and maintaining a mobile home or trailer on their premises at 15 Maple Street in West Bridgewater. The case is still pending in Court.

FRANCIS M. SILVIA et al

v.

TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER

The plaintiffs in this action have brought a complaint in the Brockton District Court against the Town claiming that the Town is liable for certain damages to their property caused by a broken water main.

Respectfully submitted,

John P. Lee
Town Counsel

Dated: March 18, 1986

Report of the Recreation Department

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The West Bridgewater Recreation Committee and Staff members of the 1985 Summer Recreation Program wish to report on the success of the past summer season. Once again, under the Director, Pat Kelley and Assistant Director, Doreen Langer, and our three program aides, Deborah Lawson O'Connell, James Connelly, and Sean Cronin, a varied and interesting program was offered.

All West Bridgewater children in grades one through eight are invited to attend the daily activities being offered at the Howard School site. This year's program started on July 8, 1985 and ran daily Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. until closing on August 16, 1985, a total of six weeks.

We offer a diversified program for all age groups and skill levels, including supervised playground activities, quiet games, contests, Arts & Crafts, etc. This year we joined other area towns in competing in an all day Field Day in Mansfield. We came away with many first, second and third place wins and an enjoyable day was had by all.

Once a week we went on a Field Trip and this activity seems to be a highlight of the week for all. We hope to be able to continue this popular practice, it is difficult because of the rising cost of the buses and drivers.

The Recreation Committee and its Staff are looking forward to another successful Summer Program in 1986. We are grateful to the townspeople, the Police and School Departments and the children of West Bridgewater for their continued support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Jenness
Marie Connolly
Diane Jollymore
Sandra Kominsky

Report of the Tree Warden

To the Citizens of West Bridgewater:

The street trees of a town are the heritage of its people. Your Tree Warden stands as a trustee for the people to preserve and develop that heritage. This role often brings him into contact with commercial contractors, public utility arborists and engineers from power and gas companies as they strive to serve the public in their special way. Any conflict must be resolved in the public interest. Frequently the Tree Warden functions as a go-between in resolving public relations questions. His contact with the scientific world through the state university, county extension service and his contacts with the practical world through other colleagues, serve to keep his skills up-to-date in an ever changing world.

As an employee and representative of the people of West Bridgewater, I have strived to provide a sound, uniform tree policy with quality workmanship. To accomplish the work schedule of 1985, the department's experienced employees have aptly and professionally handled all the tasks laid before them.

Mosquito aerial spraying, funded by the Board of Health and supervised by this department, was accomplished during the summer months for control of the adult mosquito.

War Memorial Park, 13 town greens and 6 town-owned cemeteries were regularly mowed, fertilized and trimmed during the growing season. Legion Memorial baseball field was also fertilized, mowed and trimmed weekly. The department continued to receive numerous calls to control hornets and wasps; and the spraying of Poison Ivy, which were answered and controlled. Calls for honey bee swarms were referred to bee keepers who took the swarms for their hives.

All the mechanical equipment of the department are in very good condition due primarily to a sound maintenance program and a little tender loving care. Because of this, there are less breakdowns, and it allows the equipment to operate efficiently and lessens depreciation. During the winter months, the departments two platform trucks and drivers cooperate with the Highway Department during snow and ice emergencies for plowing.

Tree planting was done in the spring of 1985 but when the department was to begin its fall planting, the area was hit with Hurricane Gloria on September 27th. No section of West Bridgewater was spared from great damage but due to the excellent cooperation given this department by the Highway, Water, Fire and Police departments, all roads in town were opened and passable by 11 p.m. that day. Clean-up from Gloia continued to the middle of November. Tree damage from this hurricane was far greater than previous hurricanes to strike this area. Removals of weakened trees trimming of broken limbs and hangers by this department will continue well into 1986, thus putting us behind on our regular work schedules.

In closing this report, I would like to state that good public relations becomes one of our largest jobs. Every resident, at one time or another, will eventually become our client for service of our varied list of activities. This department stands ready to serve the residents of West Bridgewater.

As Tree Warden, I wish to extend to my employees a simple but sincere "Thank You" for their cooperation, faithfulness and professional way of carrying out their duties under tight budget restrictions. To the people of West Bridgewater, I appreciate your patience, constructive criticism and assistance. Also my sincere thanks to all other departments and officials for their cooperation, assistance and courtesies throughout the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas B. MacQuinn
Tree Warden

Police Station Building Committee

The Police Station Building Committee met several times during the year.

Plans were reviewed with an eye toward keeping the addition as reasonable as possible and still meet the needs of your Police Department.

Two meetings with the Designer Selection Board were held in Boston. These meetings resulted in the Mass. D.S.B., advertising for architects for the project. Three were interviewed and the firm of J. Glen Hughs Associates of Norton was chosen. Contracts were reviewed by your Board of Selectmen and Town Counsel and signed by the Committee Chairman after approval.

The committee is now awaiting final drawings and bids on the construction to proceed.

Respectfully submitted,

William Johnson, *Chairman*

Charlie Johnson

George Hollertiz

Leonard Bucci

Robert Smith

Dave Mead

Report of the Sealer of Weights & Measures

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The following is the report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year 1985.

I tested and sealed the following:

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| Scales over 10,000 pounds | 1 |
| Scales over 5,000 pounds | 1 |
| Scales over 1,000 pounds | 4 |
| Scales over 100 pounds | 8 |
| Scales 0 to 100 pounds | 49 |
| Weights | 27 |
| Vehicle Tanks | 1 |
| Gas Pumps | 79 |
| Package Reweighing | 292 |
| Unit Pricing | 60 |

Returned \$1,115.20 to the Town for fees which I collected. This is the first time the Town has taken in more than the position cost them.

I am retiring as of June 31, 1986 and would like at this time to thank the people of West Bridgewater for allowing me the privilege of working for them the last 32 years.

Thank you,

Warren A. Turner

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Report of Self Help Incorporated

Self Help, Inc., is greater Brockton's and Attleboro's anti-poverty agency dedicated to improving the quality of life of limited income individuals and families, and making all segments of the community responsive to the needs of the limited income, disadvantaged and minority needs.

During the program year ending September 30, 1985, Self Help, Inc., received a total funding of \$12.6M and provided 456,877 direct services to the area's limited income individuals and families.

224 residents received 1,639 direct services totaling \$83,502 during the program year.

The total funding of \$12,577,576 million does not tell the real value of human services delivered to the area as a whole. Self Help's funding enabled us to mobilize an additional \$828,340 of other community resources such as Commonwealth Service Corps and local cities and towns contributions as well as volunteers. The gross volume of Self Help, Inc., during the past program year was \$13.6 million.

Self Help currently employs 279 individuals, many of whom are limited income and minorities.

We feel that the program year 10/1/84 to 9/30/85 was a successful one for Self Help, Inc., and very helpful to our limited income population. We thank the area's Board of Selectmen, town volunteers and Selectmen's representative, Mr. Charles Baker, to our Board of Directors for helping to make our program year a success.

Respectfully submitted,

Ulysses G. Shelton, Jr.

Executive Director

Report of the Visiting Nurse Association, Inc.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Now, more than ever before, home health care is crucially important for the people of West Bridgewater as they endeavor to cope with mandated cuts in reimbursement for hospital care. With these significant cuts in support of health care, financial responsibilities for the Bridgewater Visiting Nurse Association have increased.

Town support and agency fund raising projects have helped decrease our budget deficit. Limited service hours of the early days have increased so the staff serve patients seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

During the 1985 fiscal year, our agency provided the following services:

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| Nursing visits | 1392 |
| Physical therapy visits | 271 |
| Occupational therapy visits | 12 |
| Speech therapy visits | 0 |
| Medical social worker visits | 20 |
| Home Health Aide hours | 1766 |

Community services—as our professional staff visit patients they endeavor to teach them self-care. During our health conferences and clinics, at the 1985 Health Fair, health

promotion and "wellness" were emphasized. Being aware of the stress patients experience following discharge we have instituted a Volunteer Visitor Program. Agency services include conferences at Esther Drive, the Well Child Conference for infants and pre-school children, the Evening Clinic for 18 to 60 year old clients, the Fuel Assistance program, Cancer Screening and classes for Certified Baby Sitters. At the Town Hall, two sessions are held each month and 275 persons were seen during the year.

Contracts—have been made with BAARC Day Activity, Foster Medical Equipment, Greater Brockton Homemaker/Home Health Aide Services, i. v. Lifeline, Massachusetts Easter Seal Society, Massachusetts Physical Therapy, Inc., Old Colony Hospice, Inc., and James D. Williston, M. Ed., CCC-SP.

Accreditation—the agency is fully certified by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Public Health.

Administration—governing the agency is a volunteer Board of Directors assisted by a volunteer Group of Professional Personnel, representing local business and professional men and women, and consumers.

Professional staff—includes Ann P. Kirkpatrick, BSN, supervisor/administrator; Peggy Perry, BSN, alternate supervisor; Jeannette Irving, RN, BS, senior nurse; and the following registered professional nurses: Judy Backoff, RN; Jane Deubler, BSN; Kathy McCoy, BSN; Patricia Urban, RN; Kathy Heimerdinger, MSN, family nurse-practitioner. Eleanor Binda serves as secretary-receptionist and Philip Casey, statistician-billing clerk.

Home Health Aides—are Ella Cameron, Loretta Caruso, Mary Cunniff, Kathy Gross and Joanne Johnson.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanore D. MacCurdy
President

Report of the Water Department

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

We the Commissioners and Superintendent of the Water Department of the Town of West Bridgewater, respectfully submit our annual report for the year ending December 31, 1985.

During the year a total of 282,261,380 gallons of water was pumped, which is 12,300,730 gallons more than the previous year. The greatest amount for any one day was August 14, with 1,403,780 gallons. The largest month was July with 31,094,870 gallons. The largest week was August 18 with 8,556,750 gallons pumped.

With 282,261,380 gallons of water pumped plus 751,700 gallons bought from Easton, a total of 283,013,080 gallons of water was used. This makes a daily average of 773,318 gallons pumped.

A total of 82 new services were installed for a total of 2, 279 services.

During the past year our department has made some great progress in building a better and more efficient operation. With the purchase of our own backhoe, we were able to lay 250 feet of 6-inch water main on Shagbark Road when a water main broke on private property, leaving the entire street with no water. The main was laid with our own crew saving thousands of dollars. We were also able to replace a 2-inch main on Emerson Avenue with 441 feet of 8-inch water main and installed a hydrant on that street. This replacement of water mains marked the first new mains West Bridgewater has laid in eleven years.

We searched for water this past fall and we have found a few promising areas to do further testing.

All hydrants were checked prior to cold weather and hydrant stakes were put in place as usual.

Starting in late October the Cyr Street pumping station was completely dismantled and new pump, motor, electrical system, plumbing, controls, heating system, were replaced. The building was insulated and storm windows were added. Thousands of dollars were saved by most of the work being done by the water department crew and we successfully applied for a state energy grant and received \$18,000 to help pay for the renovations.

Station maintenance was carried out daily, after every severe storm, and all power failures. A total of 677 hours of overtime was spent in emergency leaks and maintenance.

During Hurricane Gloria, 133 hours of overtime was spent pumping 2,830,930 gallons of water with auxiliary pumps at all three pumping stations from 9/27/85 to 10/4/85. All pumping went without any major problems.

During the year, 156 analysis of our drinking water were made by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Quality Engineering for bacterial elements. All reports were most satisfactory, showing it to be of highly acceptable quality and free from bacterial elements. Analysis of sodium concentration in our water averaged 18 milligrams per litre for 1985, allowing us to meet the state regulation of a maximum of 20 milligrams per litre. We also ran individual tests on all three wells to check for cancer causing pollutants in our water and none were detected in any of the wells.

We feel that 1985 was a very progressive year with many accomplishments and savings and we anticipate 1986 to equal or exceed the prior years. These accomplishments could not have been as successful without the backing of the Town people, our own personnel, and all the Town departments who came to our aid when requested.

The Commissioners express their appreciation and thanks to the Water Department employees, whose efforts and expertise made for a smooth operating department and

to Superintendent Krugger's efforts and research that resulted in cost saving purchases and projects to the Town.

Respectfully submitted,
John W. Noyes, *Chairman*
Edward G. Asack, *Clerk*
Donald Davock, *Member*
Richard E. Krugger, Jr., *Superintendent*

Report of the Veteran's Services

To the Board of Selectmen:

This year forty-two veterans and dependents were assisted by the Veteran Services Department. Aside from financial and medical aid other services rendered were assistance in filing for V.A. Pensions, Widow's Pensions, grave stones, and V.A. Questionnaires.

The Veterans Administration changed the income reporting procedure this year. A full page EVR (Eligibility Verification Report) is being sent instead of the Income Questionnaire Card. These forms are being mailed to all claimants on a staggered basis starting in October of this year and running through September of 1986.

Aid was given to a veteran in obtaining the Purple Heart which he did not receive at the time he was wounded during World War II. We have done much communicating with the government to acquire this medal and the award is still pending.

Refunds in the amount of \$1,689.18 were received from a retro-active V.A. Pension and from Aetna Insurance Company for a medical drug reimbursement.

As in the past a quarterly computer match was sent to our main office in Boston to check the accuracy of wage information given by veterans receiving financial benefits. Appropriate action is taken against persons in receipt of benefits to which they are not entitled.

All decisions made by the Veterans Agent are done so in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth and the Directives of the Commissioner of Veterans Services.

Respectfully submitted,
Armen Amerigian
Veterans Agent

Report of the Southeastern Regional School District

Eugene Kostecki, *School Committee Member*

The Southeastern Regional School District is represented by Eugene Kostecki.

There are eight towns and the City of Brockton involved in this regional effort which provides students with occupational training leading directly to a variety of employment opportunities.

West Bridgewater's share for the \$6,122,593 total budget consists of 3.55% representing 50 students.

There are a total of twenty-five occupational programs offered at Southeastern Regional Vocational Technical High School and six at the Technical Institute level. School population is 1273 secondary and 138 post-secondary, for a total of 1411 students benefiting from vocational education training.

The job placement program under the direction of the Guidance Department placed 99.6% of the 1985 graduating class. The Technical Institute enjoyed a 99% placement record.

Job placement services are also available to past graduates.

High school students participated in several construction projects within the school district. They constructed an eighty-foot handicap ramp, a soccer wall for a youth soccer league; made signs and furniture for member communities.

On-campus projects include completion of our new greenhouse; construction of a new workshop for the Building & Grounds Remodeling and Repair Program and recently painted the physical education area.

The Southeastern Regional School District has a Technical Institute for adults and high school graduates. The Technical Institute's primary objective is to prepare students for gainful employment.

The Institute offers six programs at the post-secondary level: Data Processing, Dental Assistant, Electronic/Computer Technology, Licensed Practical Nurse, Medical Assistant and Medical Laboratory Technician.

The Institute is affiliated with Cardinal Cushing General Hospital, New England Sinai Hospital, Brockton Hospital, Goddard Hospital, Harvard University School of Dental Medicine, Tufts Dental School, various doctor's and dentist's offices in the District, other area hospitals and many high technology companies.

Students from the participating communities number as follows:

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| Brockton | 748 | Norton | 68 |
| East Bridgewater | 86 | Sharon | 58 |
| Easton | 106 | Stoughton | 151 |
| Foxborough | 51 | West Bridgewater | 58 |
| Mansfield | 83 | Out of District | 2 |

During this school year, federal grants were written from a variety of sources. Vocational Education Act (PL 98-524) grants totaling \$47,132.00 were used to purchase equipment in Machine Shop, Graphic Arts and the Automotive Department. Special Education Grant (PL 94-142) funds amounting to \$37,240.00 were used to increase educational services to special needs students. Other grant funds were used to purchase library books, materials for computer instruction in language arts, mathematics, and to expand services for students with limited proficiency in English. A total of \$123,862.00 in federal grant funds will have been received by Southeastern this year.

The special needs program continues to be served, in part, by the three regional school collaborative. The collaborative is comprised of Southeastern, Old Colony and

Bristol-Plymouth Regional School Districts.

Stanley B. Goldman, the representative from the Town of East Bridgewater, passed away on August 12, 1985. The Committee is deeply saddened by his passing. His wisdom, understanding and loyalty will be greatly missed.

The Committee, however, is looking forward to a relationship with Mr. Goldman's successor, Mr. William L. Copeland, Jr.

The administrative staff has experienced some changes. Donald E. Graves, the first Superintendent of Southeastern, has retired after twenty years of service as a vocational educator. Paul K. O'Leary of Stoughton is the new Superintendent.

Eveyn Buschenfeldt, School Business Manager, formerly of Stoughton, has retired, and the new Business Manager is Patricia Cheromcka from West Bridgewater.

Southeastern is always seeking new, different ways of conducting its educational programs at minimal costs to the taxpayers of the District. The cost of operating the Southeastern Regional School District is among the lowest in the Commonwealth.

Very truly yours,

Eugene Kostecki

Report of the West Bridgewater School Committee

The composition of the School Committee changed in April of 1985 with Mr. Paul Curnutte being elected to replace Mr. Robert Bourne who chose not to seek reelection. The Committee welcomes Mr. Curnutte and expresses its appreciation to Bob Bourne for his significant contributions to the Committee's work.

The Committee joins the Town in expressing deep regret on the death of Mr. Warren A. Turner, an employee of the school system for many years, and a concerned citizen who gave unselfishly of himself to serve the Town in many capacities over the years.

The School Committee spent a great deal of time during the year keeping up with and understanding what has now become Chapter 188 of the General Laws, a bill intended to improve the quality of education in Massachusetts. While the immediate results have not seemed to be significant, the long range effects of this bill will impact costs, paperwork, and, hopefully, the quality of students graduated from the public schools.

Committee goals, both for 1985 and 1986, provide for detailed study of two major areas: Special Education and Curriculum.

Special Education has been targeted because of the rapidly escalating costs of those services and the higher percentage of students being serviced relative to the total student population. The Committee is not content to accept that we are providing for the educational needs of these students because it is required by both Federal (Ch. 94-142) and State (Ch. 766) law; we want to ensure that the needed services are provided and that the provided services are needed. The Committee will expend any funds necessary to meet the educational needs of these students but wishes to be able to fully understand and justify any request for increased budgets.

In order to meet these goals, the School Committee has moved to:

—make Mr. Thomas Peters responsible for the Special Education Department, relieving him of the dual burden of Elementary Principal and Special Education Director.

—better educate its members in the processes, terminology, and requirements of both 94-142 and 766.

—appoint an individual to provide for an internal assessment of the Special Education Department.

—appoint an outside consultant to provide for an in-depth study of the Special Education system.

—provide for a detailed study of the Special Education budget for 1986-87.

We anticipate that by Summer of 1986, we will have completed all of the necessary studies and will be able to make any adjustments, if necessary, in our Special Education Department.

The curriculum has not had a system-wide review in over ten years. Since the curriculum is the heart of any school system, periodic changes and reviews must be conducted. It is an exhausting and time consuming task to study each subject, in each grade, and ensure that each subject has continuity from the first time it is introduced to students until the time they graduate twelve or thirteen years later.

While the Superintendent has both the responsibility and the capability of overseeing curriculum, it is unrealistic to expect that he can adequately do so and still manage the day-to-day business of a three and one half million dollar budget, operating ten million dollars worth of buildings, grounds, vehicles, and equipment, supervising one hundred and twenty plus people, maintain relations with government agencies, and town departments, and keep up with changing trends in education.

The School Committee, at some expense, appointed Mr. Janelli as system Curriculum

Coordinator, reporting directly to the Superintendent. Mr. Janelli is charged with reviewing every subject, grade by grade, and ensuring that the materials taught are those directed by the School Committee and provide for a realistic and smooth flow from grade to grade. This extensive task will probably take two or three years and will result in a comprehensive guide being available to parents, teachers, students, administrators, and other interested parties, clearly outlining the expectations in all subject areas, grade by grade.

At the end of this project, the Committee will decide whether or not the position of Curriculum Coordinator is still necessary.

We are continuing our emphasis in Building and Ground maintenance with major focus being directed at the Howard School. A significant amount of work must be done because of the poor condition of the roof there and the internal damage done due to leaks. We anticipate that a new roof will be in place by September of 1986 and work on the interior, including the replacement of ceiling tiles, rotting and rusting doors, and the painting of some classrooms will be completed.

Attempts are being made to get grant monies to enable us to replace the boiler at the high school.

The Committee has been under pressure from some parents to provide another bus for transportation of students in order to ensure that students get home at a reasonable hour. A great deal of time has been spent exploring various alternatives including changing bus routes and moving school starting and closing times in order to accommodate these individuals. While the Committee appreciates their concern, we are reluctant to add another twenty thousand dollars to our budget for an additional bus when more pressing educational and maintenance demands are evident. We will continue to provide transportation necessary for the safety of students and the requirements of the system.

The School Committee is currently in negotiations with the West Bridgewater Teachers Association regarding the provisions of the new Education Reform Act dealing with minimum teacher salaries and dispersing of professional development grant monies. Neither of these issues can be agreed upon unless the Town Meeting accepts the provisions of this Act.

Three areas which may have significant impact on the Town in the near future deserve mention. First is a bill currently before the Legislature which mandates a School Breakfast Program for all school systems. Currently, the breakfast program is at local option and we have chosen not to recommend it to the Town. What is most alarming about this bill is that it is worded in such a manner as to circumvent the funding of such mandates as required by Proposition 2½. The additional burdens in the areas of transportation, staffing, and disruption, as well as the potential financial costs are of concern.

Second is a growing trend at the state level to direct the establishment of Early Childhood Programs in public schools. This narrowly missed being included in last year's Chapter 188 but it appears to be upcoming again this year. While the Committee encourages education at every age, the requirement to establish these programs would probably add between \$150,000 and \$200,000 to our budget since we would have to provide several new teachers, added classrooms, and new education equipment and supplies to meet these requirements.

Third is what appears to be a turnaround in the previously declining student population at the elementary entry level. While entering classes in the early 1970's were approximately one to one hundred ten students, the entering classes in the early 1980's were about seventy to seventy-five. We had expected this level to continue for another several years but now find an entering class of eighty-six in September of 1985. While it is still too early to determine if this will continue, the possibility of added students over the next few years must be considered since it means additional staff and bus requirements

and will probably lead to the reopening of Spring Street School by the early 1990's.

Although we are under the threat in a number of areas for large annual budget requirements, we can take pride in the accomplishments of our students. They consistently score above the national average in standardized tests; they continue to volunteer their services to many groups and projects; they continue to display all the best qualities of sportsmanship in their athletic events; and they continue to achieve recognition in the fields of art, drama, scholarship, and citizenship. They reflect a great deal of credit on the Town of West Bridgewater and we hope you share the pride we have in them.

The School Committee extends its deepest appreciation to the other departments in the Town, and the many individual citizens without whose concern, consideration, and assistance we could not operate effectively.

Respectfully submitted,

Leo Cronin, *Chairman*

Linda Santry, *Vice Chairman*

Thomas Kelley

Betty Alden Miller

Joseph Kennedy

Paul Curnutte

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

My second town report as the Superintendent of the West Bridgewater Schools reflects upon a school system in the process of change. I am continually impressed with the caliber of students, the dedication of the professional and support staff, the commitment of the School Committee, and the interest of the community in supporting our schools. Our Parent Teacher Organization is one of the most active groups on the South Shore and our schools have become leaders in the effort to cope with drug and alcohol abuse. We are in the process of developing a finely tuned curriculum map in each subject area from grades K to 12. I am very pleased with the progress of our curriculum study and evaluation.

We have established three School Improvement Councils and we have accessed the funds available to the councils through Chapter 188—the Education Reform Act of 1985. In addition, the School Committee and Education Association have been meeting to discuss Professional Development Grants and the \$18,000 minimum salary for teachers. There are many ramifications of Chapter 188 that will change our public schools dramatically.

Although our enrollment continues to decline, a comprehensive curriculum is still offered. The total enrollment for 1985-1986 is now 1,114 students with 561 at the Junior-Senior High School, 240 at the Howard School, and 313 at the Rose L. MacDonald School. It is estimated that the decline will end with approximately 1000 students within the next several years. One of our greatest concerns at this point is offering a comprehensive curriculum in a small high school. Class size at all levels is in the low to middle twenties—a West Bridgewater priority that has continued through several decades.

In 1985, an East-West Bridgewater Regional Planning Board was established with three members from each town selected by the Moderators. A grant was approved to provide funds to study the merits of regionalization. The question that needs to be answered is this, “Can a better education be provided to the students of both towns with less money if the schools are regionalized?” There will be a great deal of discussion regarding this important topic in 1986 and 1987. The study will involve a community survey and interviews with both school and municipal departments. We need to closely review the progress of this critical study.

In 1985, the Management Team was changed with the two elementary schools now having one principal and the inclusion of a Curriculum Coordinator/Administrative Assistant. The Special Education Director is now solely responsible for the Special Education program. The reorganization was the result of a comprehensive management study and funded by a grant from the Executive office of Communities and Development.

We are proceeding with the repair of the Howard School roof. An ad hoc committee of concerned citizens is helping to improve the condition of the athletic field adjacent to the Howard School. The maintenance of our school facilities and the improvement of those facilities must continue to be one of our major areas of concentration.

Finally, I believe the changes outlined above will promote quality in our schools, achievement among our students, and pride among our teachers. A school system revolves around good teachers implementing a good curriculum. I can assure the Town that we have an exceptional teaching staff and we are making good progress in the area of curriculum development. When these two facets of our educational program are coordinated, we will indeed have a system “where kids come first.”

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald P. Gerhart
Superintendent of Schools

Curriculum Report

The West Bridgewater Schools are moving on all fronts in regards to curriculum. In August of 1985, the School Committee created the position of Curriculum Coordinator whose responsibilities would be to assess our curriculum in all disciplines, and at all levels. The process for doing this is in place and a unified program will be the outcome. In-service workshops are being utilized to work with the staff on cooperative ventures on a vertical axis, (between grade levels) and on a horizontal axis, (among teachers of the same grade).

An additional focus this year is substance abuse education. With the work of our Substance Abuse Advisory Committee, a commitment of time and money has been made to help eradicate this problem in West Bridgewater. Cooperative programs between East and West Bridgewater are also in the works.

At the Junior-Senior High School level, a Curriculum Advisory Committee has been formed and has made recommendations in four broad areas: substance abuse, differentiated diploma, Junior High School structure and Foreign Languages, and Senior High School graduation requirements.

With the aid of a highly qualified staff, the commitment of the Superintendent, Management Team and School Committee, our work in curriculum this year should make an already strong program even better.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Michael Janelli
*Curriculum Coordinator/
Administrative Assistant*

West Bridgewater Jr. Sr. High School

The High School Art Program has as its aim, 1. to develop its students into informed and discriminating individuals with study of Art from the past and 2. to afford students opportunities to work with today's ideas and materials while developing a creative eye, a skillful hand and an entrepreneurial mind. Through a very carefully structured curriculum, we hope to establish a solid base for a creative, productive and rewarding future for every student with artistic talents and interests.

This year, the Art Department was the recipient of a grant from the West Bridgewater Arts Council for three trips to see professional art at the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, the Isabella Gardiner Museum and the Brockton Art Museum. The experience was memorable for the forty students who saw the museums for the first time.

Several students who were eligible to enter the National Art Competition for high school students were rewarded with Regional, State and National recognition. Brian Roy, Kathryn O'Neil and Jeanne O'Neil won Regional "Gold Key Awards." Brian and Jeanne also won State "Blue Ribbon Awards." Jeanne won National Honorable Mention.

The Art Department holds three major exhibits each year...the Fall and Spring Exhibits are held in conjunction with the Parent/Teacher Conferences. A Senior Art Show is held in May.

Excellent reports are coming in about former art students who are attending art schools. Namely, Laurie Turner—Rhode Island School of Design; Jeanne O'Neil—

Philadelphia School of Design; Jon Steinmetz, Catherine Denzer, Ralph Swift—Swain; Clare Cronin—Smith College; Jim Connolly—New England Art Institute; Debra Endler, Ed Deming—Blue Hills Voc. Tech.; Sara Utka, Jeanne Iannitelli, Jill Coots, Denise Maraglia, Kristine Freitas—Bridgewater State College. They continue to develop their potential with expertise and style.

The goals of the West Bridgewater Athletic, Intramural and Physical Education programs are to develop skills, values, attitudes and a competitive spirit which will enable students to become functioning, contributing members of today's active society. The Athletic program should not be thought of as an entity in itself but as an integral part of the total educational experience, Athletics should be thought of as the other half of education.

We at West Bridgewater, believe that athletic experiences contribute to the development of cognitive, psychomotor and affective skills which cannot be accounted for anywhere else in the educational process.

During the 1984-1985 school year, there were some 474 West Bridgewater students involved in our athletic and intramural programs. Two hundred seventy-four students represented West Bridgewater in a combination of 260 varsity and sub-varsity contests.

The intramural programs during the 1984-1985 year involved some 200 students participating in Basketball, Volleyball, Soccer and Weightlifting.

As in past years, there were 20 girls involved in our Cheerleader squad. This year's squad competed in their first invitational competition and were very successful.

The 1984-1985 year, as in previous years, again showed West Bridgewater's Athletic Teams to be among the most respected and successful in the Mayflower League.

The 1985 Girls Field Hockey Team had a fine season and won a berth in the State Championship Tourney.

The 1984 Winter sports programs of Boys and Girls Basketball were again exciting with the Boys winning the Mayflower League Championship and qualifying for the State Tourney, while the Girls team had a fine season by qualifying for the State Tourney for the third consecutive year.

The Spring of 1984 was highlighted with the continued development of the Track program with some 45 students, many of them girls, participating.

The Softball Team for 1984, posted a winning season and the outlook for the future is bright with many younger players returning.

Aside from some fine team efforts, there were many fine individual performances, which earned our athletes selection to All Star and All State Teams.

| NAME | SPORT | HONOR |
|-------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| Mark Still | Golf | All League—State Tourney |
| David Adams | Football | All League |
| Steven DeMolles | Boys Basketball | All League |
| Jeff Holton | Boys Basketball | All League |
| Russell Armstrong | Boys Basketball | All League |
| Melissa Stearns | Girls Basketball | All League |
| Darlene Spencer | Girls Basketball | All League |
| Nancy Burke | Softball | All League |
| Jeff Holton | Baseball | All League |
| David DiCorpo | Tennis | All League |
| Russell Manzer | Track | All League |
| Michael Kelley | Track | All League—All State |
| Russell Armstrong | Track | All League |

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|------------------|--------------|---------------------------|
| Bonnie Rascicot | Track | All League—All State |
| Cindy Boyd | Field Hockey | All League—All Scholastic |
| Patricia Carifio | Field Hockey | All League |
| Kristen Cogswell | Field Hockey | All League |

The elements of winning and competition do exist, but do not determine the nature of our program. While our students are encouraged to excel, the principles of sportsmanship are of primary importance at all times to enhance the educational values of Athletic competition.

It is often asked, "What values are derived from Athletic competition?" Aside from the obvious physical values, within the scope of the West Bridgewater program, the student learns the meaning of sportsmanship, cooperation and commitment.

A Federal Grant for \$4,004 was written by the Business Department and accepted for the purchase of ten dictaphone machines. These dictaphones will be utilized by the Word Processing and Model Office classes.

The Federal Grant Advisory Board, which was formed last year, agreed to aid in the selection of the dictaphone machines. Board members include: Mr. Richard Kruger, Mrs. Cheryl Packard, Mr. Harold Estabrooks, Mr. P. Christopher Cross, Miss Diane Underhill, Dr. Ronald Gerhart, Mr. S. Erick Benson, Mrs. Gail Callahan, Mr. Robert Lopes, Mr. Eugene Murphy and Mr. Henry Belcher.

Robert Lopes and Gail Callahan will attend an ERR computer workshop in March.

Mr. Eugene Murphy joined the Business Department staff and is teaching Accounting I and Keyboarding I courses.

Finally, in June, Mrs. Gail Callahan, Coordinator of Business Education, received the Aquinas Junior College Alumni of the year award. Dr. Gerhart presented Mrs. Callahan her award at Aquinas' graduation ceremony.

During 1985, the English Department continued to update materials and curriculum. The paperback library for Reading, grades seven and eight was replenished. In addition, materials in skill and content areas for the grade eight and ten Reading programs were purchased. Texts were added in English grades nine and twelve where needed. Especially of note, the literature and grammar series for Level 4 English (nine–twelve) has been completed with the addition of texts and materials for grades nine and ten. Grade Ten Reading curriculum is in process of revision.

In the fall, Mrs. Lynne Salvador, Reading and English teacher, participated in Project ERR's "Designing Effective Writing Programs." The purpose of the training was to help participants assess their current writing program, learn about the critical elements of an effective writing program, and learn to manage an effective writing program. Mrs. Janice Ricciardelli, Coordinator, trained in "The Writing Process," a workshop to review research in the writing process movement, to demonstrate process procedure, and to investigate interdisciplinary writing.

The English Department offers two elective writing courses. We are continuing to receive feedback from former students and their parents that West Bridgewater graduates are doing well in college composition.

In the French Department, French I and II went to a French restaurant as well as practicing some French cooking of their own in the Home Economics room. French III produced several fine video-taped presentations including a fashion show, a "Julia Child" cooking segment, and several popular television game shows in French. French IV attended an exhibit of French Impressionist painters at the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston. An in-school field trip was held for all French students. Two movies, *The Count of Monte Christo* and *The Day of the Jackel* were shown.

Along with offering four years of (level 2/standard) Spanish, this year the high school introduced a (level 1/honors) section in Spanish I. Many Spanish students have worked with an elaborate computer software program in Spanish grammar which Dr. Russell has evaluated for the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese. The Sociedad Honoraria Hispanica continues to recognize students who achieve high grades in Spanish and the National Spanish Exam is available to those students who wish to test their language skills in a national contest.

During the 1984-1985 school year, the Guidance Department continued to assist students in developing their ability to make decisions about personal, social career, and educational issues. Educational, vocational, and personal counseling was provided on an individual and group basis to students in grades one through twelve. Parent-teacher-student conferences were scheduled during the year in order to enhance a student's development.

Since guidance is a "process" of helping students learn more about oneself and how to develop one's potentiality, students were provided with a variety of activities, classroom programs and resources as well as highly individualized counseling sessions. Counselors continued to coordinate the infusion of career awareness units along with various high school teachers. Classroom workshops were implemented in fifth and sixth grades relative to sexual growth/development and academic development issues.

A computerized career information system, ACES, was available to all students, teachers, and residents of West Bridgewater. The American Career Exploration System (ACES) offered students the opportunity to become more aware of their educational goals, personality preferences, abilities, interests, and alternatives and post-secondary schools.

Since the guidance process should be "action-oriented," the Guidance Department organized a student orientation program, career as well as self-awareness programs. Under the direction of the Elementary and Junior High School Guidance Counselors, students entering the Howard School or Junior High School became more familiar with the facilities and policies by participating in an orientation program. In conjunction with the Samaritans, the Guidance Department presented an informative program about teenage suicide to grades 7 through 12. Also, a computer career exploration program was organized for eighth graders. The program included a classroom presentation with a display of robotic equipment and a small group tour as well as a discussion of the many business uses of computers presented by Component Manufacturing Co. of West Bridgewater.

A variety of standardized tests continue to be administered system-wide. Achievement, aptitude and interest tests offer students more information about themselves relative to present and future planning. The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude test was administered to tenth and eleventh graders on a voluntary basis. The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery was offered to all high school students on a voluntary basis as well.

1985 was a memorable year for awards. Maria Petrie was the recipient of a Chancellor's Academic Talent Award at U. Mass.—Amherst. Based on the high PSAT scores, five students received Letters of Commendation from the National Merit Corporation Competition. Senior Russell Armstrong received an appointment into the U.S. Air Force Academy.

David Drinkwater was honored as the recipient of the Award for Academic Excellence sponsored by the Mass. School Superintendent's Association. Seniors Russell Manzer, Jeanne O'Neil and Lisa Byrnes were named as Massachusetts Commonwealth Scholars. Seniors Russell Armstrong and Beth Feresten were selected to receive the 1985 U. S. Army National Scholar/Athlete Awards. Eight students were selected for the summer PCC Advanced Studies Program at Bridgewater State College. Based on their exceptional achievement test scores, thirteen seventh grade students qualified in the initial

selection procedure for participation in the "Talent Search" sponsored by the Center for the Advancement of Academically Talented Youth at Johns Hopkins University. Two of the students scored "with distinction on their Scholastic Aptitude Tests."

Scholarships totaling over \$47,000.00 were awarded to graduates and former graduates of West Bridgewater High School. The funds were raised through the efforts of the Local Citizens' Scholarship Foundation. The total also represents contributions from the Horace Howard Aid Fund, local businesses, social organizations, memorial scholarships, private contributions, trust funds and funds donated by former scholarship recipients, all from the town of West Bridgewater.

The class of 1985 decided upon various career pursuits after graduation. Seventy percent of the class was planning on continuing their education after high school.

GUIDANCE REPORT ON PLACEMENT FOR 1985

| Total Continuing Education | Total Graduates 1985 | | |
|--|----------------------|-------|-------|
| | Boys | Girls | Total |
| 1980—52% | | | |
| 1981—53% | 52 | 54 | 106 |
| 1982—61% | | | |
| 1983—69% | | | |
| 1984—62% | | | |
| 1985—70% (4 yr. 48%, 2 yr. 16%, Post Sec. & Voc. 6%) | | | |

| | Boys | Girls | Total | % of Class |
|---|------|-------|-------|------------|
| Four Year Public Colleges | 20 | 16 | 36 | 34 |
| Four Year Private Colleges | 6 | 9 | 15 | 14 |
| Two Year Public Colleges | 8 | 3 | 11 | 10 |
| Two Year Private Colleges | 2 | 4 | 6 | 6 |
| Nurse's Training (3 years) | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Post Secondary (includes Business & Secretarial, Vocational/Technical Training) | 0 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Military | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Work | 11 | 11 | 22 | 21 |
| Marriage | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Undecided | 4 | 4 | 8 | 8 |

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TO BE ATTENDED BY MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 1985

| | |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Aquinas Junior College | Le Baron Hairdressing Academy |
| Art Institute of Philadelphia | Massasoit Community College/Blue Hills |
| Bay State Junior College | Providence College |
| Blaine Hairdressing Academy | Quincy Junior College |
| Boston University | Rhode Island School of Design |
| Brockton Academy | Simmons College |
| Brockton Hospital School of Nursing | Smith College |
| Bryant College | Southeastern Academy |
| Bridgewater State College | Southeastern Massachusetts University |
| College of the Holy Cross | Southeastern Technical Institute |
| Connecticut School of Broadcasting | U. S. Air Force Academy |
| Endicott College | University of Maine, Orono |

Franklin Pierce College
Hampshire College
Ithaca College
Johnson & Wales College

University of Massachusetts, Amherst
University of Rochester
Wentworth Institute
Westfield State College

The Health Department reports that physicals for athletics were held the third week in August, for fall sports with again, a large turn-out. The students were examined by Dr. Arthur Carriere, school physician.

Pre-physicals, which consist of height, weight and blood pressure are conducted the day prior to the physician's examination, so that the information is readily available.

Confidential information is distributed to each member of the faculty on the day prior to the students' opening day of school, to acquaint each teacher with a student that they may have as to hearing and vision problems, so that proper seating may be arranged. Students with specific handicaps and/or illnesses, such as Diabetes, Epilepsy, to give examples, are made known to the faculty from the first day of school and what to do if a problem arises. They are given updated information if it occurs.

Epipen instructions were given to each faculty member since we do have some students with severe reactions to insect bites.

It is strongly advised that the school be informed of any unusual home situations which could affect the student and their school life, such as a death in the family, an illness, a divorce or any situation which might be stressful to the student.

Vision and Hearing screening continues on an annual basis. Parent follow-up could improve as far as informing the school if treatment was necessary.

West Bridgewater students have all been immunized according to the recent Massachusetts Immunization Law, therefore, clinics for T/D boosters are the only ones necessary other than kindergarten.

Scoliosis screening which is now mandatory annually by the State, continues to be done by the Physical Education Department with referrals to the school nurse on students with positive or questionable signs. If the school nurse's diagnosis was positive or questionable, a form was sent to the parent or guardian to have their own physician examine the student and return the form with the physician's diagnosis.

Health counseling continues daily. Many students need someone they can confide in or someone just to be a good listener.

The school nurse serves on the Core Evaluation Team and makes home assessments as necessary.

The school nurse serves as advisor to the Future Nurses' Club.

The current enrollment of the Home Economics Department shows an increase of about 50% over last year with a total of 75 students, grades 9-10. My class load has gone from 80% to a full time position.

The main objectives of the department are to improve survival skills as consumers and in personal finance; to help improve personal relationships and family life and prepare students for parenting as adults. A major thrust is in nutrition to improve and/or maintain fitness and good health.

There are two Life Skills courses being taught, Life Skills I geared to ninth and tenth grade students and Life Skills II developed for junior and senior students.

The curriculum of Life Skills I begins with a unit on "Understanding Yourself and Others" that includes various influences on personality, behavior, goals, values, self-esteem and relating to others. A unit on advertising deals with teenagers as major consumers and the unique pressures aimed at them. Students evaluate advertisements and are introduced to useful buying skills. One third of the course includes nutrition, meal planning and preparation and understanding wise food choices. Students plan, prepare

and serve a luncheon to 35-40 senior citizens in the Spring. Another unit includes fibers, fabrics, clothing selection and consumer skills, completed with a personal clothing construction project.

Life Skills II includes a comprehensive study of forming adult relationships from dating to marriage to planning for children (or no children) plus parenting skills. Food and nutrition deals with fitness, healthy weight control, wise buying and preparation of healthy, cost and time conscious meals. Information on fibers and fabrics will stress good taste, economy, care of clothing for working people. Students will learn about the clothing manufacturing industry as it relates to consumers. A unit will also include information of furnishing a home plus fabrics for furnishings and decorating.

Child Care and Development is designed to provide information about children for prospective child care workers and/or parents. The course begins with the preparation for parenthood, birth defects and the necessity for quality child care. The course advances to all areas of development, safety and food and nutrition for children. A portion of the course provides first hand experience with young children when the students plan and execute a nursery school program, one hour, two days a week, for eight to ten local children, ages 2½ to 4½.

There are two Singles Living classes with a total of 35 seniors. The course is taught for one-half year and includes career planning, personal money management with information on auto, medical and life insurance, renting a place to live, banking and a personal budget for an anticipated income in a chosen full time position. A unit on stress caused by crises common in adult life and appropriate coping skills complete the course.

Students in Singles Living go into the Chef's course at the end of the second marking period. This course covers meal planning, food selection, buying, safety, preparation of meals and nutrition.

The Junior High Acitivity Club includes approximately 32 students each semester. The students have hands-on experience in simple food preparation and fabric construction projects.

The enrollment in the **Industrial Arts Department** has stayed about the same this year. The students are involved in some community service projects—hanging drapes at the J.O.Y. Center, building a room to enclose the new generator at the high school and building new floor hockey nets for the Physical Education Department.

The Industrial Arts Department has added a new finishing sander and a combination drill and screw gun.

During the school year, our **Library** has catalogued 406 books for its permanent collection. Sixty-five periodicals and four newspapers were purchased or renewed. The purchase of reference books, thirty-three bound volumes of periodicals and twenty-two VHS videotapes have enhanced our resources.

The Public Library has remained an excellent source of additional materials for our students.

With the continued support of the administration, school committee and community, the school library will continue to improve.

The Mathematics Department continues to offer a wide range of courses for all levels of students. In addition to a broad range of college preparatory mathematics and computer courses, students are given an opportunity to prepare for the Scholastic Aptitude Test through courses in the Community Evening School. New curricula were introduced in two Senior High School courses. First, the second year of the new two-year Algebra I curriculum started this year. In addition, a new textbook and curriculum were implemented in the top level Algebra II course. A new Junior High School computer literacy program will be implemented this year and Algebra I has been reinstated in the eighth grade curriculum.

The West Bridgewater Junior-Senior High School **Music Department** under the direction of Mr. Randall Gage, presented its annual Christmas Concert at the Canoe Club on December 18, 1986. This year's Concert presented the Junior High School Band performing as an independent unit for the first time. Also, appearing on the program, was the Junior High School Chorus and Senior High School Band.

The Marching Band performed at all Home Football Games. Appearing with the Marching Band was the Color Guard and the Majorettes under the direction of Cathy Sardella, Elementary School Teacher. The Marching Band also performed in the Tri-Town Parade in East Bridgewater and the Pearl Harbor Day Parade in West Bridgewater. This Spring, the Band will march in the Brockton St. Patrick's Day Parade and the West Bridgewater Little League Parade.

Three High School musicians were selected to represent the Town of West Bridgewater in the Lions' All State Band. The Lions' Clubs of the State sponsor outstanding young musicians from all over Massachusetts and pay for their three days, room and board. After a rigorous rehearsal schedule, the Band entertains at the annual Lions' Club State Convention.

This year, one of our Junior High Band students auditioned for the Massachusetts Music Educators' Association Southeast District Junior High Band. The auditions were held at Pembroke-Silver Lake Regional Jr. High School.

The Junior High School Concert Band, Senior High School Concert Band and Junior-Senior High School Chorus are now preparing for this year's Spring Concert. Classics such as Tchaikowsky's "1812 Overture" as well as current popular music will be performed.

Mr. Gage is in the process of forming the West Bridgewater Junior-Senior High School Jazz Ensemble. The Ensemble will perform music of many styles including traditional Jazz, Blues, Be-Bop and Rock. Students will be given the opportunity to learn improvisation techniques in this Ensemble.

The General Music Class that is required of all Junior High School students is helping students gain a working knowledge of all elements that make up Music. Students have used this knowledge to compose their own music. They are also being exposed to styles and types of music that are otherwise not readily available to them.

In order to help meet the needs of the average college-bound student who may need two years of high school lab science, the **Science Department** is contemplating offering a non-math oriented course entitled Anatomy and Physiology. Student response for such a course has been quite favorable.

As a sort of revival of the Junior High Science Fair, the Junior High Science Project Exhibit last Spring, proved very successful. The top three exhibits each from Grade 7 and Grade 8 were chosen to compete in further competition at Thayer Academy.

Science Department personnel have been involved in numerous workshops, university seminars, and advanced studies over the past year, all serving to enhance our program offerings.

The Social Studies Department continues to share ideas, explore new materials, and to analyze approaches to effective classroom teaching in order to more fully prepare the youth of West Bridgewater to become knowledgeable, viable taxpayers and voters at all levels of American Government.

Continuously at all grades, curriculum has been reviewed and revised as new materials and modes of application become available. At the elementary level, particularly, new texts and supportive materials for the younger student are being reviewed from the perspective of completely overhauling the Social Studies curriculum in Grades K-6. At the secondary level, correspondingly, in an attempt to broaden our students' knowledge

of the changing world in which they live, a non-American history course requirement for graduation was implemented.

Student-centered activities this year in the Social Studies Department include Student Government Day in which Cindy Boyd and Janine Feodoroff (Alternate) were elected by fellow students to represent West Bridgewater at the State House in Boston. And, too, Seniors in C.A.I. visited a taping of Miller's Court during which Richard Damon acted as a juror. Among other student-focused activities, Sociology students experienced first-hand an ethnic sociological study of Boston and deviant study at M.C.I. in Plymouth.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Erick Benson
Principal

Rose L. MacDonald and Howard Schools

The staff of the Rose L. MacDonald and Howard Schools attempt to provide programs in all areas of the curriculum which will speak to the needs of each individual youngster. Youngsters have a wide range of abilities, aptitudes, experiences, and enthusiasm, therefore learning *must* be unique and personal.

Presently all available space is being utilized at both schools. The Rose L. MacDonald School houses 310 students, Grades K-3 and the Howard School 238 students, Grades 4-6. All classrooms Grades K-5 are basically self-contained—meaning the students spend the majority of the school day with their assigned home room teacher for the major curricula areas. In Grade 6 students are semi-departmentalized—moving to various staff members for their major instruction. Two Grade 6 staff members handle the Language Arts curriculum and two handle Mathematics, Science and Social Science. In this way students are given a year to prepare for Grade 7 which is a complete departmentalized situation—one staff member instructing all students in one curriculum area.

With the exception of kindergarten, students are basically homogeneously grouped for their CORE instruction in Reading and Mathematics. Beginning in Kindergarten, reading and the related language arts consisting of Spelling, handwriting, and composition skills are a priority. Much time and effort are devoted to finding and utilizing the most effective approaches and best possible materials to teach children to read and write. At the primary level (K-3) the emphasis is on the skills involved in *learning to read*. By the intermediate level (4-6) the emphasis for most students shifts to *reading to learn*.

At all grade levels students average 45 minutes of instruction daily in Mathematics and/or related activities. The time devoted to Science and Social Science instruction increases as a child progresses through the grades. All students are provided with weekly instruction in Art, Music, Library Science and Physical Education. Grades 4-6 also receive instruction in computer programming using the LOGO computer language.

For those students in need of extra academic, social, and/or emotional help, services are provided through our Reading/Language Arts Department, Special Needs Department, Counseling Department, Chapter I program or Gifted and Talented program (TOP HAT).

Contact with each child's home is an ongoing, continuous process with parents and staff members meeting on a regular basis. Twice yearly—fall and spring—formal parent-teacher conferences are scheduled. Early in September parents are invited to attend an Open House. At this time, staff members by grade level review the curriculum and instructional materials to be used, outline students responsibilities and provide the parent

with an opportunity to discuss their concerns. Written report cards go home four times a year and throughout the school year written and/or verbal progress reports can and are initiated when needed by individual staff members. Specialized programs—such as our Christmas and Spring concerts, class plays, the Science Fair, the Massasoit Super Saturday program, and intramurals are additional ways which are used to form a vital link between home and the school.

The Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) provides services in three important areas—the scheduling and funding of enrichment programs for the students, the funding of staff requested materials and/or equipment, and the scheduling of programs for adults and/or students on timely issues of the day. The parents of this organization are to be commended for the great amount of time and effort expended for the betterment of *our* children's education.

In closing, I would like to thank all those associated with Rose L. MacDonald and Howard Schools for their cooperation and assistance. They have made it a highly successful school year.

Respectfully submitted,

William M. Jones
Principal

Special Education Department

One of the priority goals for the School Committee this year has been to evaluate all Special Education programs, (internally and externally) to make sure that we are in compliance with all State and Federal laws and are providing proper services to all students from age three to twenty-two; not only to provide good programs for those students who are entitled to special services but to see that they are provided in the most cost effective way. In addition they have acquired outside experts in the field to become better acquainted with the terminology used in the regulations. These actions are positive and I commend them for their interest in all the special education programs.

The proposed 1986-1987 Special Education budget is the largest ever. Two areas that have increased the most are the tuitioned out students and transportation. It is unfortunate that the State does not provide the money to go along with the mandated laws. This puts a tremendous burden on the community.

We will make every effort to bring our students back to West Bridgewater Public Schools and provide programs that would be cost effective. One of these programs is the Pre-vocational, Occupational Alternative Program at the High School serving seventeen students in grades 7-12. The program focuses on establishing and maintaining positive interpersonal relationships between staff, students and parents. It is highly structured and provides small group instruction geared at meeting the academic needs of the students, but mainstreaming students whenever possible. We are grateful to Mr. Benson for giving us his support to improve this program and prevent tuitioning out students, which would be very expensive.

Another important area that we must pursue to keep the cost from escalating is to provide inservice workshops for all staff. By doing this, regular classroom teachers will gain the expertise needed to modify their curriculum for their students who demonstrate difficulties in learning, as mandated by regulation (314.0). In addition, a series of inservice workshops have been held for Special Education teachers as required

by law. Most importantly, the students and their parents must assume the responsibility for completing their modified assigned tasks. Many parents of the Special Education students insist that their children complete their homework and do it well. It is also true that these students need a great deal of help at home as well as in school.

To address the School Committee goals and provide for proper evaluation, we have written a \$2,000 grant from the State. Dr. Eileen Williams has been appointed to perform this very important task.

On another grant, we have been awarded \$29,000 jointly with East Bridgewater to provide vocational counseling and job placement for those students who qualify. This is the second year we have received funds for this very successful program.

In our official roster for December 1, 1985 we are providing special services to 204 students at ages three to twenty-two. Nineteen of these students are placed outside our school system for services not available in West Bridgewater.

Research indicates that early intervention and remediation has been very successful with young children. It has prevented higher costs at a later age. A committee composed of primary Special Education Teachers, Counselors and Speech Therapists has been formed to research better diagnostic methods and materials for use this spring when we screen 3 and 4 year old children for possible learning or speech problems. In late Spring we will screen all children who will enter Kindergarten classes next September. The findings of this research will help us comply with the mandated Early Childhood laws, including the new Chapter 188. Since indications are that we will have several pre-school children who are entitled to receive special services, there is a need for a room to accommodate these children. I suggest that we make plans to use one room for this purpose at Spring Street School.

The following are services we purchase from READS Collaborative to provide students with comprehensive evaluations required by law. These cost effective services are of high quality and in some areas better than most other clinics. Also, READS provides us with the following professional staff.

Services

- 1) Medical evaluation
- 2) Ophthalmological evaluation
- 3) Audiological evaluation
- 4) Psychoeducational evaluation
- 5) Neuropsychological evaluation
- 6) Speech and language (clinical)
- 7) Occupational Therapy evaluation
- 8) Physical Therapy evaluation
- 9) Neurological evaluation

Staff

- 1) Clinical psychologist
- 2) School psychologist
- 3) Physical Therapist
- 4) Occupational Therapist
- 5) Speech Therapist
- 6) Adaptive Physical Education
- 7) Aides for special students

As you know, the special education laws require that we provide these services in the least restrictive environment. We make every effort to do so.

In Health Services at Rose L. MacDonald School, we provided 310 children with vision and hearing screening. Rescreening was done on 58 students who failed the initial screening. At present there are four children being monitored with monthly hearing evaluations. Six children receive medication every day they are in school.

The School Nurse has frequent communication with parents, updating health records, checking proper immunization for all children who enter school and teaching and reinforcing good health habits. You will find the secondary health progress in Mr. Benson's report.

All Special Education staff are to be commended for their dedication, enthusiasm and cooperation in their continuing efforts to make our programs responsive to the needs of the students they serve. They strive constantly to attain relevance in their day to day teaching.

The people of West Bridgewater continue to place great importance on helping children with special needs to achieve an adequate and appropriate education. The following quotation is most appropriate for all of us to remember, "All children are normal, all children are different and the differences in children are normal."

I would like to thank you, the members of the School Committee, Administrators, all staff and all caring people who are supporting Special Needs Services for the children of West Bridgewater.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Peters

Director of Special Education

Report of the East-West Bridgewater Regional School District Planning Board

To the Citizens of East Bridgewater:

The towns of East Bridgewater and West Bridgewater authorized the formation of a Regional School District Planning Board at last year's Annual Town Meetings. The Board has been active since its organization on May 6, 1985.

During these times of declining enrollments and very limited financial resources, it has become crucial that every means available to safeguard the educational opportunities of our young people be examined.

The Board agreed at our first meeting that the educational opportunities to be derived through regionalization would be of primary importance in our decision making process.

There are five major phases to the project:

Phases

1. Information gathering
2. Selection of a consultant
3. Study
4. Decision
5. Transition

The fifth phase would be required if both towns decided to regionalize.

Most of the Board's effort, thus far, has been associated with the first phase. We have had school visitations, met with the school administrative staffs, met with state officials, had presentations and discussions with regional superintendents, met and discussed issues with regional school committeemen and hired a consultant to help us perform a regionalization feasibility study.

It is expected that phase three and four will require a schedule of approximately twelve months.

We have been successful in acquiring state grant funds and are performing our work without any local funding.

The Board encourages input from concerned citizens of both towns and informs the public that the Board will be concentrating on working toward a recommendation at next year's Annual Town Meetings (FY '88). In order for a regional school district to be formed, it would require a majority vote of both towns.

There are many major issues to be studied and an open communication process is required. Our mailing list includes state officials, town officials, school administration and employees, union representatives, local school support groups, and the local newspaper correspondents.

We would like to thank Superintendent Gerhart and Superintendent Mitchell for their valuable and willing support to the Board and look forward to their continued involvement as we move forward to complete our task.

Respectfully submitted,

John L. Powers, *Chairman—East Bridgewater*
William P. Bystrom, *Secretary-Treasurer—West Bridgewater*
Donald A. Fisher—*West Bridgewater*
Thomas F. Kelley—*West Bridgewater*
Robert A. McCarthy—*East Bridgewater*
Ann Packard—*East Bridgewater*

Collector of Taxes

I hereby submit the Tax Collector's Report for 1985.

It has been a pleasure to serve the people of West Bridgewater and I wish to express my appreciation for the cooperation received from the other town departments and the citizens of West Bridgewater.

| | Outstanding 12/31/84 | Committed | Abated | Refunded | Collected | Tax Title | Balance 12/31/85 |
|------------------------|-------------------------|------------|-----------|----------|------------|-----------|---------------------|
| 1980 Motor Vehicles | 8,153.19 | | 8,153.19 | | | | — |
| 1981 Motor Vehicles | 3,189.45 | | 2,955.95 | 15.28 | 248.78 | | — |
| 1982 Motor Vehicles | 4,930.92 | | | | 525.00 | 4,405.92 | |
| 1983 Motor Vehicles | 7,263.68 | | 47.60 | 47.60 | 537.42 | | 6,726.26 |
| 1984 Motor Vehicles | 35,152.95 | 15,442.11 | 5,021.85 | 1,405.02 | 33,989.10 | | 12,989.13 |
| 1985 Motor Vehicles | | 351,602.99 | 22,849.76 | 4,403.70 | 281,396.82 | | 51,760.11 |
| 1978 Personal Property | 258.50 | | 258.50 | | | | — |
| 1979 Personal Property | 825.60 | | 825.60 | | | | — |
| 1980 Personal Property | 805.00 | | 805.00 | | | | — |
| 1981 Personal Property | 1,690.00 | | 1,690.00 | | | | — |
| 1982 Personal Property | 1,016.40 | | 1,016.40 | | 255.44 | | 3,684.99 |
| 1983 Personal Property | 3,940.43 | | | | 101.72 | | 2,195.97 |
| 1984 Personal Property | 2,297.69 | | | 5.25 | 54,721.92 | | 1,942.16 |
| 1985 Personal Property | 56,692.43 | 132,040.50 | 33.60 | 5.25 | 64,905.42 | | 67,092.03 |
| 1986 Personal Property | | | 43.05 | | 11,225.00 | | (11,225.00) |
| Water "A" | | | | | | | |
| 1979 Farm Excise | 24.50 | | 24.50 | | | | — |
| 1980 Farm Excise | 312.00 | | 312.00 | | | | — |
| 1981 Farm Excise | 15.00 | | 15.00 | | | | — |
| 1982 Farm Excise | 15.00 | | 15.00 | | | | — |
| 1983 Farm Excise | 88.50 | | | | | | 88.50 |
| 1984 Farm Excise | 173.50 | | | | 160.00 | | 13.50 |
| 1985 Farm Excise | | 943.15 | | | 819.15 | | 124.00 |

| | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|----------|---------------------|-----------|--------------|
| 1985/86 Water | 30,014.13 | 292,501.36 | 1,906.41 | 204.00 | 249,815.86 | 31,076.41 | 28,705.81 |
| 1982 Water Lien | 2.70 | | | | 2.70 | | — |
| 1983 Water Lien | 490.40 | | | | 363.80 | | 126.60 |
| 1984 Water Lien | 3,577.92 | | | | 3,072.12 | | 505.80 |
| 1985 Water Lien | 10,573.14 | | | | 8,584.66 | | 2,090.48 |
| 1986 Water Lien | | 35,576.41 | 15.00 | | 26,929.56 | | 8,364.50 |
| 1981 Real Estate | 908.52 | | 110.67 | | 213.85 | | 584.00 |
| 1982 Real Estate | 1,874.88 | | | | 1,384.32 | | 490.56 |
| 1983 Real Estate | 43,955.06 | | 1,085.62 | 517.06 | 31,249.12 | | 12,137.38 |
| 1984 Real Estate | 90,568.01 | | | | 44,150.91 | | 46,417.10 |
| 1985 Real Estate | 1,841,812.54 | | 4,755.25 | 2,521.61 | 1,751,046.14 | | 88,532.07 |
| 1986 Real Estate | | 3,380,705.76 | 47,962.43 | 6.98 | 1,560,522.68 | | 1,772,227.63 |
| 1983 Boat Excise | 280.74 | | | | 45.74 | | 235.00 |
| 1984 Boat Excise | 38.00 | | 38.00 | | | | — |
| 1985 Boat Excise | | 1,022.00 | 220.00 | | 563.00 | | 239.00 |
| Roll Back Tax | 4,850.39 | | | | 4,850.39 | | — |
| Trailer Park Excise | | | | | 4,130,654.62 | | |
| Collected After Abatement | | | | | 18,864.00 | | |
| Interest Collected | | | | | 2,517.39 | | |
| Charges Collected | | | | | 34,483.93 | | |
| | | | | | <u>3,583.00</u> | | |
| | | | | | <u>4,190,102.94</u> | | |

Respectfully submitted
Elizabeth L. Zamaitis
Treasurer-Collector

Treasurer's Report

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Treasurer respectfully submits her annual report for the Fiscal Year 1985.

The Town of West Bridgewater was fortunate and had to borrow money only once this year costing the town in interest \$8,135.88 but on investments, the town earned \$62,038.00 for the net gain of \$53,902.12.

I wish to thank the Townspeople and the various municipal departments for their support.

| | Bal. as of | Interest | Fund | Bal. as of |
|--|-------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Trust Funds | 6/30/84 | Earned | Expended | 6/30/85 |
| Pleasant Hill Cemetery | 4,692.04 | 251.40 | | 4,943.44 |
| Pine Hill Cemetery | 3,575.67 | 177.64 | 180.35 | 3,372.96 |
| Town Cemeteries | <u>7,744.12</u> | <u>434.29</u> | <u> </u> | <u>8,178.41</u> |
| | 16,011.83 | 863.33 | 180.35 | 16,494.81 |
| | | | | |
| Library Trust Funds | | | | |
| #1 | 16,735.63 | 851.62 | 1,562.95 | 16,024.30 |
| #2 | 6,722.18 | 360.31 | | 7,082.49 |
| #3 | <u>15,304.16</u> | <u>781.01</u> | <u>1,347.84</u> | <u>14,737.33</u> |
| | 38,761.97 | 1,992.94 | 2,910.79 | 37,844.12 |
| Curtis Library Fund | <u>9,205.95</u> | <u>540.14</u> | <u>1,233.70</u> | <u>8,512.39</u> |
| | 47,967.92 | 2,533.08 | 4,144.49 | 46,356.51 |
| | | | | |
| W.J. & A.C. Howard Scholarship Fund | 5,568.18 | 298.60 | 144.45 | 5,722.33 |
| | | | | |
| Drury Bell Fund | | | | |
| General Fund | 447.67 | 24.00 | | 471.67 |
| Scholarship | 151.01 | 16.44 | 159.45 | |
| | | | | |
| Stabilization Fund | 59,501.14 | 5,547.78 | | 65,048.92 |
| | | | Fiscal 1985 Deposit— | 10,000.00 |
| | | | | 75,048.92 |

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth L. Zamaitis

Treasurer—Collector

Report of the Auditor

We have examined the financial statements of the various funds and account groups of the Town of West Bridgewater for the year ended June 30, 1985, listed in the following table of contents. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

Pension costs are provided on a pay as you go basis, as discussed in Note 12 rather than on an actuarial basis as required by generally accepted accounting principles. The cost relative to the actuarial method has not been determined at this time.

A record of fixed assets is not maintained by the Town, accordingly a statement of fixed assets, as required by generally accepted accounting principles, is not included in the financial statements.

In our opinion, subject to the foregoing exceptions, the aforementioned financial statements present fairly the financial position of the various funds and account groups of the Town of West Bridgewater at June 30, 1985, and the results of operations of such funds and the changes in financial position for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

The accompanying supplemental schedules and related information presented on pages 18 to 28 are not necessary for a fair presentation of the financial statements, but are presented as additional analytical data. This information has been subjected to the tests and other auditing above and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Anthony V. Sulmonte
Certified Public Accountant

**TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER
BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 1985**

| | General Fund | Revenue Sharing | Trust Fund | Total (Memorandum Only) |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|
| ASSETS | | | | |
| Cash—General | \$ 223,155 | \$ 24,466 | | \$ 247,621 |
| Cash—Invested | <u>1,375,000</u> | <u>184,741</u> | <u>\$134,255</u> | <u>1,693,996</u> |
| Total | <u>1,598,155</u> | <u>209,207</u> | <u>134,255</u> | <u>1,941,617</u> |
| ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE (Exhibit F) | | | | |
| Real Estate | 258,399 | | | 258,399 |
| Tax Titles | 56,047 | | | 56,047 |
| Personal Property | 11,893 | | | 11,893 |
| Motor Vehicle Excise | 99,553 | | | 99,553 |
| Boat and Farm Excise | 1,519 | | | 1,519 |
| Water | 65,397 | | | 65,397 |
| Miscellaneous | <u>13,303</u> | | | <u>13,303</u> |
| Total | 506,111 | | | 506,111 |
| Less: Provisions for abatements | <u>127,527</u> | | | <u>127,527</u> |
| Total | <u>378,584</u> | | | <u>378,584</u> |
| Tax Possessions | <u>8,090</u> | | | <u>8,090</u> |
| TOTAL | <u>\$1,984,829</u> | <u>\$209,207</u> | <u>\$134,255</u> | <u>\$2,328,291</u> |

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES

| | | | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| LIABILITIES | | | | |
| Accounts Payable | \$267,175 | | | \$267,175 |
| Accrued Payroll | 111,411 | | | 111,411 |
| Deferred Revenue | <u>324,886</u> | | | <u>324,886</u> |
| Total Liabilities | <u>703,472</u> | | | <u>703,472</u> |
| FUND BALANCES | | | | |
| Reserved for Encumbrances | 103,011 | \$32,498 | | 135,509 |
| Revolving Funds | 22,430 | | | 22,430 |
| Reserved for Unforeseen Expend. | 8,736 | | | 8,736 |
| Reserved for Appropriations | 257,098 | 170,000 | | 427,098 |
| Unreserved/Designated | 170,000 | | 134,255 | 304,255 |
| Expenditures unprovided for | (3,849) | | | (3,849) |
| Unreserved | <u>723,931</u> | <u>6,709</u> | | <u>730,640</u> |
| Total Fund Balances | <u>1,281,357</u> | <u>209,207</u> | <u>134,255</u> | <u>1,624,819</u> |
| TOTAL | <u>\$1,984,829</u> | <u>\$209,207</u> | <u>\$134,255</u> | <u>\$2,328,291</u> |

TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUE EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL GENERAL AND REVENUE SHARING FOR THE FISCAL
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1985

| | GENERAL FUND | | | REVENUE SHARING | | | TOTALS (MEMORANDUM ONLY) | | |
|--|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| | ACTUAL | BUDGET | OVER (UNDER) | ACTUAL | BUDGET | OVER (UNDER) | ACTUAL | BUDGET | OVER (UNDER) |
| Revenues: | | | | | | | | | |
| Taxes/property | \$3,424,021 | \$3,345,502 | \$78,519 | | | | \$3,424,021 | \$3,345,502 | \$78,519 |
| Motor Vehicle Excise | 278,196 | 218,000 | 60,196 | | | | 278,196 | 218,000 | 60,196 |
| Tax Titles | 42,379 | | 42,379 | | | | 42,379 | | 42,379 |
| Water | 304,057 | 186,000 | 118,057 | | | | 304,057 | 186,000 | 118,057 |
| Intergovernmental | 1,684,625 | 1,725,435 | (40,810) | \$140,676 | \$150,000 | (\$9,324) | 1,825,301 | 1,875,435 | (50,134) |
| Local | 279,233 | 201,400 | 77,833 | | | | 279,233 | 201,400 | 77,833 |
| Interest | 105,423 | 90,000 | 15,423 | | | | 124,027 | 110,000 | 14,027 |
| Sale of Cruiser | 3,984 | | 3,984 | 18,604 | 20,000 | (1,396) | 3,984 | | 3,984 |
| From other Funds | 45,312 | | | | | | 45,312 | | |
| Total | 6,167,230 | 5,811,649 | 355,581 | 159,280 | 170,000 | (10,720) | 6,326,510 | 5,981,649 | 344,861 |
| Expenditures: | | | | | | | | | |
| General Government | 59,657 | 71,170 | (11,513) | | | | 59,657 | 71,170 | (11,513) |
| Financial Administration | 380,133 | 376,408 | 3,725 | | | | 380,133 | 376,408 | 3,725 |
| Public Safety | 1,042,684 | 970,232 | 72,452 | | | | 1,042,684 | 970,232 | 72,452 |
| Education | 3,193,843 | 3,194,754 | (911) | | | | 3,193,843 | 3,194,754 | (911) |
| Highways | 451,260 | 468,021 | (16,761) | | | | 451,260 | 468,021 | (16,761) |
| Other Environmental | 730 | 1,300 | (570) | | | | 730 | 1,300 | (570) |
| Human Services | 65,432 | 73,964 | (8,532) | | | | 65,432 | 73,964 | (8,532) |
| Culture and Recreation | 82,196 | 74,292 | 7,904 | | | | 82,196 | 74,292 | 7,904 |
| Enterprise | 205,535 | 190,796 | 14,739 | | | | 205,535 | 190,796 | 14,739 |
| Debt Service | 230,741 | 237,540 | (6,799) | 170,000 | 170,000 | | 400,741 | 407,540 | (6,799) |
| Intergovernmental | 170,994 | 154,439 | 16,555 | | | | 170,994 | 154,439 | 16,555 |
| Other | 39,587 | 80,601 | (41,014) | | | | 39,587 | 80,601 | (41,014) |
| Total | 5,922,792 | 5,893,517 | 29,275 | 170,000 | 170,000 | | 6,092,792 | 6,063,517 | 29,275 |
| Excess Revenues over Expenditures | 244,438 | (\$81,868) | \$326,306 | (10,720) | | | 233,718 | (\$81,868) | \$326,306 |
| Fund Balance July 1, 1984 | 649,493 | | | 17,429 | | | 666,922 | | |
| Designated 1986 Appropriations | (170,000) | | | | | | | | |
| Fund Balance June 30, 1985 | \$723,931 | | | \$6,709 | | | \$730,640 | | |

TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER

EXHIBIT D
5

TRUST FUNDS

BALANCE SHEET

JUNE 30, 1985

| | | | | | |
|--|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS | | | | | |
| | <u>\$16,495</u> | | | | |
| DRURY BELL SCHOLARSHIP | | | | | |
| | | <u>\$631</u> | | | |
| STABILIZATION FUND | | | | | |
| | | | <u>\$65,049</u> | | |
| LIBRARY FUND | | | | | |
| | | | | <u>\$46,357</u> | |
| W. J. & A. C. HOWARD SCHOLARSHIP FUND | | | | | |
| | | | | | <u>\$5,723</u> |
| TOTALS | | | | | |
| | | | | | <u>\$134,255</u> |
| ASSETS: | | | | | |
| Cash | | | | | |
| | <u>\$16,495</u> | | | | |
| LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES | | | | | |
| Fund Balances, Undesignated | | | | | |
| | | <u>\$631</u> | | | |
| | | | <u>\$65,049</u> | | |
| | | | | <u>\$46,357</u> | |
| | | | | | <u>\$5,723</u> |
| | | | | | <u>\$134,255</u> |

TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER
TRUST FUNDS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1985

| | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--|------------------|
| | CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS | DRURY BELL SCHOLARSHIP | STABILIZATION FUND | LIBRARY FUND | W. J. & A. C. HOWARD SCHOLARSHIP FUND | TOTALS |
| REVENUES | \$863 | \$32 | \$5,547 | \$2,533 | \$299 | \$9,274 |
| EXPENDITURES | <u>180</u> | | | <u>4,144</u> | <u>144</u> | <u>4,468</u> |
| EXCESS REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES | 683 | 32 | 5,547 | (1,611) | 155 | 4,806 |
| BEGINNING FUND BALANCE | <u>15,812</u> | <u>599</u> | <u>59,502</u> | <u>47,968</u> | <u>5,568</u> | <u>129,449</u> |
| ENDING FUND BALANCE | <u>\$16,495</u> | <u>\$631</u> | <u>\$65,049</u> | <u>\$46,357</u> | <u>\$5,723</u> | <u>\$134,255</u> |

**TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER
BALANCE SHEET—DEBT ACCOUNTS
JUNE 30, 1985**

NET FUNDED DEBT

| MATURITY | WATER | SCHOOL | TOTAL |
|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 1986 | \$ 30,000 | \$158,000 | \$188,000 |
| 1987 | 30,000 | 105,000 | 135,000 |
| 1988 | 30,000 | 40,000 | 70,000 |
| 1989 | 30,000 | 40,000 | 70,000 |
| 1990 | 30,000 | | 30,000 |
| 1991 | 30,000 | | 30,000 |
| 1992 | <u>30,000</u> | <u></u> | <u>30,000</u> |
| TOTAL | <u>\$210,000</u> | <u>\$343,000</u> | <u>\$553,000</u> |

TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER
SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1985

| ACCOUNT | BALANCE 7/1/84 | APPROPRIATION FY 1985 | TRANSFERS/ RECEIPTS | EXPENDITURES | BALANCE TO REVENUE | TO FY 1986 |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| GENERAL GOVERNMENT | | \$91,170 | \$5,588 | \$78,727 | \$11,513 | \$6,518 |
| FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION | \$2,144 | 391,508 | 10,275 | 391,394 | 8,875 | 3,658 |
| PUBLIC SAFETY | 24,242 | 1,046,542 | 85,380 | 1,120,631 | 3,858 | 31,675 |
| EDUCATION | 29,846 | 3,194,754 | 285,062 | 3,476,765 | 911 | 31,996 |
| HIGHWAY AND STREETS | 65,170 | 478,281 | 70,421 | 407,070 | 27,021 | 179,781 |
| OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL | | 1,300 | 1,081 | 1,055 | 570 | 756 |
| HUMAN SERVICES | 7,877 | 77,464 | 4,648 | 76,588 | 12,032 | 1,369 |
| CULTURE AND RECREATION | 10,301 | 83,507 | 13,879 | 84,403 | 1,311 | 21,973 |
| ENTERPRISE | 1,050 | 205,926 | 8,836 | 189,194 | 391 | 26,227 |
| DEBIT SERVICE | | 237,540 | | 230,741 | 6,799 | |
| STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSMENT | | 154,439 | | 152,400 | | 2,039 |
| OTHER | 512 | 24,140 | 106 | 15,250 | 512 | 8,996 |
| TOTAL GENERAL FUND | 141,142 | 5,986,571 | 485,276 | 6,224,218 | 73,793 | 314,988 |
| REVENUE SHARING | 34,649 | 170,000 | | 172,151 | | 32,498 |
| TOTAL | \$175,791 | \$6,156,571 | \$485,276 | \$6,396,369 | \$73,793 | \$347,486 |

TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER
APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (CONTINUED)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1985

| | BALANCE 7/1/84 | APPROPRIATION FY 1985 | TRANSFERS/ RECEIPTS | EXPENDITURES | TO REVENUE | BALANCE TO FY 1986 |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| General Government: | | | | | | |
| Selectmen | | \$34,865 | | \$28,344 | \$6,521 | |
| Moderator | | 168 | | 168 | | |
| Finance Committee | | 100 | | 80 | 20 | |
| Reserve Fund | | 40,000 | | 33,482 | | \$6,518 |
| Election and Registration | | 11,037 | \$5,276 | 11,341 | 4,972 | |
| Town Reports | | 5,000 | 312 | 5,312 | | |
| | | <u>91,170</u> | <u>5,588</u> | <u>78,727</u> | <u>11,513</u> | <u>6,518</u> |
| Financial Administration: | | | | | | |
| Accountant | | 12,266 | 149 | 12,262 | 153 | |
| Assessor | | 28,705 | | 28,233 | 472 | |
| Treasurer/Collector | | 53,182 | 2,000 | 55,055 | 127 | |
| Tax Lien Foreclosure | \$1,277 | 2,500 | | 376 | | 3,401 |
| Cash | | 22,225 | | 22,088 | 137 | |
| Law | | 13,500 | 6,426 | 19,926 | | |
| Appeals Board | | 600 | 700 | 1,225 | 75 | |
| Planning Board | | 2,150 | | 835 | 1,315 | |
| Planning Board/Matfieldwoods | 867 | | | 610 | | 257 |
| Town Hall | | 21,890 | 1,000 | 20,893 | 1,997 | |
| Town Hall/Communication | | 12,600 | | 12,528 | 72 | |
| Contributory Retirement | | 177,390 | | 177,390 | | |
| Insurance | | 44,500 | | 39,973 | 4,527 | |
| | | <u>2,144</u> | <u>10,275</u> | <u>391,394</u> | <u>8,875</u> | <u>3,658</u> |

TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER
APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (CONTINUED)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1985

| | BALANCE 7/1/84 | APPROPRIATION FY 1985 | TRANSFERS/ RECEIPTS | EXPENDITURES | BALANCE TO REVENUE | TO FY 1986 |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| Public Safety: | | | | | | |
| Police Revolving | \$2,270 | \$605,476 | \$982 | \$606,458 | | \$2,270 |
| Police Cruisers | | 23,000 | 43,153 | 43,153 | \$136 | |
| Fire | | 284,765 | 8,729 | 22,864 | | |
| Fire/Ambulance/Revolving | | | 30,722 | 293,494 | | 26,905 |
| Fire/Call Pagers | | 1,500 | | 3,817 | | |
| Fire/Regulators | | 2,500 | | 1,492 | 8 | |
| Fire/Ladder Truck | | 22,000 | | | | 2,500 |
| Fire/Ambulance/Chassis | | | | 20,484 | 1,516 | |
| Tree Warden | 21,972 | | | 20,852 | 1,120 | |
| Building Inspector | | 70,161 | | 69,971 | 190 | |
| Gas & Plumbing Inspector | | 15,775 | 275 | 15,211 | 839 | |
| Wire Inspector | | 2,425 | 946 | 3,371 | | |
| Sealer of Weights & Measurers | | 1,160 | | 1,117 | 43 | |
| Civil Defense | | 860 | | 860 | | |
| Dog Officer | | 391 | | 385 | 6 | |
| | | 16,529 | 573 | 17,102 | | |
| | <u>24,242</u> | <u>1,046,542</u> | <u>85,380</u> | <u>1,120,631</u> | <u>3,858</u> | <u>31,675</u> |
| Education: | | | | | | |
| School | 4,041 | 3,171,631 | 3,723 | 3,170,820 | 811 | 5,472 |
| Athletic Revolving | 3,785 | | 161,154 | 2,292 | | |
| Hot Lunch | | | | 164,329 | | 610 |
| Vocational | | 1,100 | | 1,000 | 100 | |
| Regional | | 22,023 | | 22,023 | | |
| Revolving | 9,992 | | 20,293 | 18,733 | | 11,552 |
| ESEA/Chapter I | 916 | | 23,537 | 22,262 | | 2,191 |
| Psychological Service | 10,451 | | 33,990 | 44,027 | | 414 |
| ESEA/Chapter II | 565 | | 5,227 | 4,064 | | 1,728 |
| Adaptive Physical Education | | | 6,300 | 2,756 | | 3,544 |
| Accounting Concepts | | | 6,404 | 6,404 | | 0 |
| Teaching Computer | | | 2,085 | 1,857 | | 228 |
| Project Employ | | | 20,330 | 15,948 | | 4,382 |
| Incentive Paid Program | | | 1,875 | | | 1,875 |
| W.J. & A.C. Howard Scholarship | 106 | | 144 | 250 | | |
| | <u>29,856</u> | <u>3,194,754</u> | <u>285,062</u> | <u>3,476,765</u> | <u>911</u> | <u>31,996</u> |

TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER
APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (CONTINUED)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1985

| | BALANCE 7/1/84 | APPROPRIATION FY 1985 | TRANSFERS/ RECEIPTS | EXPENDITURES | BALANCE TO REVENUE | TO FY 1986 |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| Highway and Streets: | | | | | | |
| Highway | | \$320,313 | | \$293,392 | \$26,921 | |
| Gas Revolving | \$3,595 | 81,868 | \$37,405 | 38,378 | | \$2,622 |
| State Aided Construction | 59,575 | 25,000 | 29,716 | | | 171,159 |
| Curbing | | 47,000 | 3,300 | 25,000 | | |
| Street Lights | 2,000 | | | 50,300 | | 2,000 |
| Poreat Street | | 100 | | | 100 | |
| Engineering Services | | 4,000 | | | | 4,000 |
| Parking Lot | | | | | | |
| | <u>65,170</u> | <u>478,281</u> | <u>70,421</u> | <u>407,070</u> | <u>27,021</u> | <u>179,781</u> |
| Other Environmental: | | | | | | |
| Industrial development | | 100 | 200 | 208 | 92 | |
| IDC Finance Authority | | 100 | | 71 | 29 | |
| Historical Commission | | 100 | 125 | 216 | 9 | |
| Conservation Commission | | 1,000 | | 560 | 440 | |
| Right to Know Law | | | 756 | | | 756 |
| | | <u>1,300</u> | <u>1,081</u> | <u>1,055</u> | <u>570</u> | <u>756</u> |
| Human Services: | | | | | | |
| Health | | 24,451 | 2,500 | 26,785 | 166 | |
| Multi/Health | | 4,093 | | 4,093 | | |
| Council on Aging | | 1,351 | 486 | 1,837 | | |
| Council on Aging/Energy | 50 | | | | | 50 |
| Council on Aging/Formula I | 1,022 | 3,500 | 287 | 1,022 | | 287 |
| Council on Aging/Fuel | | | | 2,468 | | |
| Council on Aging/Transportation | 6,805 | 32,069 | 1,195 | 8,000 | | 1,032 |
| Veterans Services | | | | 20,203 | 11,866 | |
| Cemetery Trust Funds | | | 180 | 180 | | |
| | <u>7,877</u> | <u>77,464</u> | <u>4,648</u> | <u>76,588</u> | <u>12,032</u> | <u>1,369</u> |

TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER
APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (CONTINUED)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1985

| | BALANCE 7/1/84 | APPROPRIATION FY 1985 | TRANSFERS/ RECEIPTS | EXPENDITURES | BALANCE TO REVENUE | TO FY 1986 |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| Culture and Recreation: | | | | | | |
| Library | | \$69,085 | | \$68,471 | \$614 | |
| Library Trust Funds | \$1,437 | | \$4,144 | 4,144 | | \$1,437 |
| Library Dog Fund | 2,966 | | 1,880 | 2,133 | | 2,713 |
| Library State Aid | 5,023 | | 5,023 | 3,179 | | 6,867 |
| Christmas Decorations | | 500 | | 500 | | |
| Memorial/Veterans Day | | 300 | 26 | 326 | | |
| Memorial Field | | 500 | | 479 | 21 | |
| Recreation | | 3,922 | | 3,510 | 412 | |
| Arts Grant | 875 | | 2,506 | 1,425 | 253 | 1,956 |
| Cablevision Commission | | | 300 | 47 | 11 | |
| Tennis Courts | | 200 | | 189 | | |
| Park Restoration | | 3,500 | | | | 3,500 |
| Park Repairs | | 3,000 | | | | 3,000 |
| Park Sewerage Repairs | | 2,500 | | | | 2,500 |
| | <u>10,301</u> | <u>83,507</u> | <u>13,879</u> | <u>84,403</u> | <u>1,311</u> | <u>21,973</u> |
| Enterprise: | | | | | | |
| Water | | 151,926 | 5,300 | 156,835 | 391 | |
| Water/Land | | 5,000 | | 5,000 | | |
| Water/Truck | | 16,000 | | 14,700 | | 1,300 |
| Water/Pumping Equipment | | 20,000 | | 9,524 | | 10,476 |
| Water/Engergy | | | 90 | | | |
| Water/Equipment | | 7,000 | | | | 7,000 |
| Water/Computer | | 6,000 | | | | 6,000 |
| Water/Insurance Recovery | 1,050 | | 3,446 | 3,045 | | 1,451 |
| | <u>1,050</u> | <u>205,926</u> | <u>8,836</u> | <u>189,194</u> | <u>391</u> | <u>26,227</u> |
| Debt Service: | | | | | | |
| Bonds and Interest | | 237,540 | | 230,741 | 6,799 | |

TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER
APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (CONTINUED)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1985

| | BALANCE 7/1/84 | APPROPRIATION FY 1985 | TRANSFERS/ RECEIPTS | EXPENDITURES | BALANCE TO REVENUE FY 1986 |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| State and County Assessments: | | | | | |
| Auditing | | \$176 | | \$176 | |
| County Tax | | 73,893 | | 73,893 | |
| Recreation Areas | | 27,870 | | 27,874 | (\$4) |
| Air Pollution | | 1,129 | | 1,129 | |
| Mosquito Control | | 6,990 | | 6,990 | |
| Motor Excise Bills | | 1,031 | | 1,031 | |
| Retired Teachers | | 34,671 | | 34,671 | |
| Old Colony Planning Council | | 1,272 | | 1,272 | |
| Special Education | | 7,407 | | 5,364 | 2,043 |
| Total | | <u>154,439</u> | | <u>152,400</u> | <u>2,039</u> |
| Other: | | | | | |
| Stabilization Fund | | 10,000 | | 10,000 | |
| County Aid to Agriculture | | 100 | | 100 | |
| Energy revolving | \$512 | 10,000 | | 1,004 | \$512 |
| Equipment Fund | | | \$106 | 106 | |
| Exchange | | 4,040 | | 4,040 | |
| Unpaid Bills | | | | | |
| Total | <u>512</u> | <u>24,140</u> | <u>106</u> | <u>15,250</u> | <u>512</u> |
| Federal Revenue Sharing: | | | | | |
| Highway drainage | 32,649 | | | 2,151 | 30,498 |
| Library expansion | 2,000 | 170,000 | | 170,000 | 2,000 |
| Insurance | | | | | |
| Total | <u>34,649</u> | <u>170,000</u> | | <u>172,151</u> | <u>32,498</u> |

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| Vital Statistics: | |
| Births | 35 |
| Marriages | 37 |
| Deaths | 39 |
| Dog Licenses | 42 |
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| Town Counsel | 71 |
| Town Officers | 9 |
| Town Treasurer | 102 |
| Tree Warden | 74 |
| Trustees for County Cooperative Extension Service | 70 |
| Veterans Services | 80 |
| Visiting Nurse Association | 77 |
| Water Department | 79 |
| Wire Inspector | 59 |

Telephone Numbers

SELECTMEN'S 586-1394

CONNECTING ALL TOWN OFFICES:

588-4820 588-4854

ASSESSOR'S 588-6740

WATER DEPARTMENT 583-0813

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

ONLY in case of fire—call 586-3232
(Give Name, Address and Type of Fire)

For Permits to Burn—call 586-4137

FOR AMBULANCE SERVICE 586-3232

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

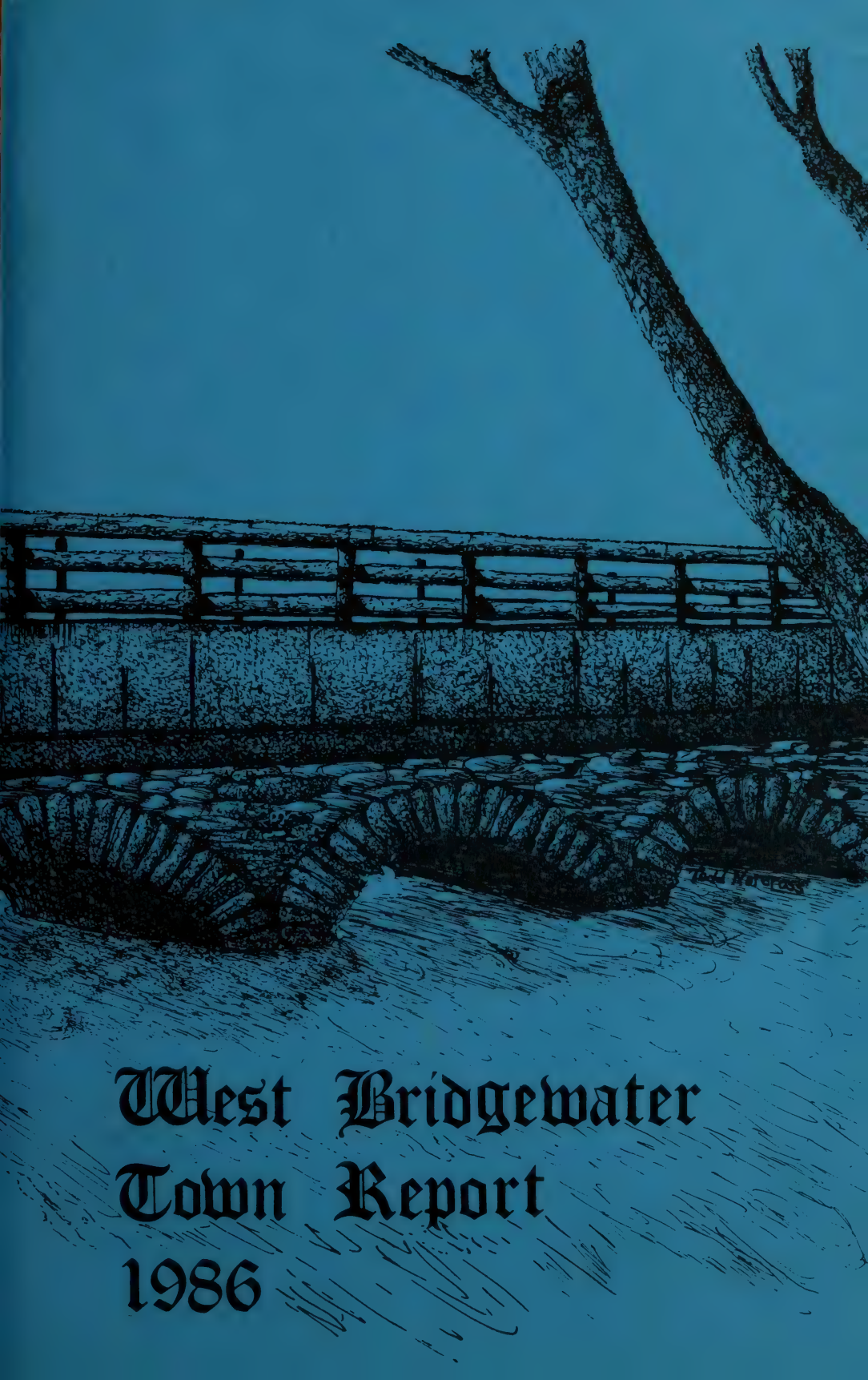
Call this number—day or night 586-2525

DOG OFFICER 584-8998



WEST
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TOWN
REPORT

'85



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1986

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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Town Officers and Committees
OF THE TOWN OF
WEST BRIDGEWATER



For the Year Ending December 31

1986

HONORING

ARTHUR E. CHAVES

Town Accountant

1952-1986

THOMAS B. MacQUINN

Tree Warden

1952-1986

In 1986 these two gentlemen retired from public service from the Town of West Bridgewater. Their friends and all of the citizens of the community sincerely appreciate their past service and wish them well in their retirement.

In Memoriam

Charles Adams

Finance Committee

1963-1972

Jessie Anderson

Trustee, Public Library

1958-1979

Edward G. Asack

Constable

1944-1960

Board of Water Commissioners

1949-1986

Edwin T. Gibson

Police Officer

1940

Constable

1942-1986

Fire Chief

3/20/67-1981

H. Roy Hartshorn

Selectman

1954-1960

Treasurer

1956-September, 1971

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The 165th Annual Report of the Board of Selectmen is herewith presented in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 49.

Under the provision of the Federal Revenue Sharing Law, an audit was performed by Anthony V. Sulmonte, C.P.A. the results of which are printed in this Annual Report.

The Police Station construction completion date is projected for early Spring. The Board wishes to thank the following members of the Police Station Committee who have worked so faithfully to see this project completed. Leonard Bucci, George Hollertz, Charles Johnson, William Johnson, David Meade, and Robert Smith.

Many hours were spent working with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, (F.E.M.A.) to compile all the damage figures for the Town as a result of hurricane Gloria. Damages totaled approximately \$125,000. The Town has been in receipt of \$110,000, their portion of the estimate to the Town.

The Town of West Bridgewater joined the rest of the Nation in mourning by flying their flags at half mast in tribute to those astronauts killed on the Space Shuttle Challenger.

Twice in the past year the "Stars & Stripes Forever" flag was changed. The Board wishes to thank all those who contributed to the service at the monument.

Eldon F. Moreira, *Chairman*
Board of Selectmen

Statistics Of The Town of West Bridgewater

1980—Federal Census—7152

1985—Town Census—6737

Total Registered Voters—3701

| | | |
|----------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| Republican 429 | PRECINCT 1 Democrat 417 | Unenrolled 955 |
|----------------|----------------------------|----------------|

| | | |
|----------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| Republican 494 | PRECINCT 2 Democrat 470 | Unenrolled 936 |
|----------------|----------------------------|----------------|

Number of Residences—2278

Area of Town—15.75 Square Miles

60.02 Miles of Water Mains

Local Road Mileage 68

COUNCILLOR—FIRST DISTRICT
John Britland

SENATOR—2nd PLYMOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT
Edward P. Kirby

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT
10th PLYMOUTH DISTRICT
Michael C. Creedon

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
11th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
Brian Donnelly

1987

Town Meeting—April 13

Town Election—April 18

Town Officers for 1986

MODERATOR

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|------------------|---------|--------------|
| John C. Eldridge | 1986 | 1987 |

TOWN CLERK

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|---------------|---------|--------------|
| Anna E. Brown | 1985 | 1988 |

SELECTMEN

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|----------------------|---------|--------------|
| Eldon F. Moreira | 1984 | 1987 |
| Judith A. Kinney | 1985 | 1988 |
| Charles A. Pickering | 1986 | 1989 |

ASSESSORS

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|------------------|---------|--------------|
| Irving W. Puffer | 1984 | 1987 |
| Gary A. Boyd | 1985 | 1988 |
| DeSales J. Heath | 1986 | 1989 |

TREASURER/COLLECTOR

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|-----------------------|---------|--------------|
| Elizabeth L. Zamaitis | 1984 | 1987 |

TRUSTEED OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|-------------------------------|---------|--------------|
| Laura Swanson (Resigned 1986) | 1986 | 1989 |
| Herbert P. Billett | 1986 | 1989 |
| Robert Wayne Legge | 1984 | 1987 |
| James Grandfield | 1984 | 1987 |
| Kathleen Fenstermaker | 1985 | 1988 |
| Helen Millet | 1985 | 1988 |
| Paul Galvin (Appointed) | 1986 | 1989 |

REGIONAL—VOCATIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|-----------------|---------|--------------|
| Eugene Kostecki | 1984 | 1987 |

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|--------------------|---------|--------------|
| Leo Cronin | 1984 | 1987 |
| Linda Santry | 1984 | 1987 |
| Paul Curnutte | 1985 | 1988 |
| Betty Alden Miller | 1985 | 1988 |
| Joseph A. Kennedy | 1986 | 1989 |
| Matthew J. Travers | 1986 | 1989 |

WATER COMMISSIONERS

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|------------------|---------|--------------|
| John W. Noyes | 1984 | 1987 |
| Donald G. Asack | 1986 | 1987 |
| Donald N. Davock | 1986 | 1989 |

TREE WARDEN

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|--------------------|---------|--------------|
| Philip D. MacQuinn | 1986 | 1989 |

CONSTABLES

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|------------------|---------|--------------|
| Edwin T. Gibson | 1983 | 1986 |
| Raymond L. Silva | 1983 | 1986 |
| Walter Thayer | 1986 | 1989 |

BOARD OF HEALTH

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|------------------|---------|--------------|
| Ronald C. Broman | 1984 | 1987 |
| Edward F. Cruz | 1985 | 1988 |
| Marie T. Bagley | 1986 | 1989 |

PLANNING BOARD

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|----------------------------------|---------|--------------|
| D. Christopher Cross (Res. 1986) | 1986 | 1991 |
| Wilfred Howard | 1982 | 1987 |
| Grete Bohannon | 1985 | 1988 |
| Stephen P. Wood | 1984 | 1989 |
| Howard Anderson | 1985 | 1990 |

HOUSING AUTHORITY

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|------------------------------|---------|--------------|
| Albert Greiner | 1982 | 1987 |
| Marion H. Bartell (By State) | 1983 | 1988 |
| Richard Williams | 1984 | 1989 |
| Carl R. Bystrom | 1985 | 1990 |
| Robert Kellie | 1986 | 1991 |

Officers Appointed by the Selectmen

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Arthur E. Chaves (Res. 11/30/86)

Joseph H. Kameese

ADMINISTRATOR OF INSURANCE

Eldon F. Moreira

Ronald P. Gerhart

APPEAL BOARD

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Harry G. Pierson, Jr. | 1984 | 1987 |
| George O. Merritt | 1984 | 1987 |
| William E. Turner, Jr. | 1985 | 1989 |
| Harry Ketler | 1985 | 1990 |
| Henry Podolsky | 1986 | 1991 |

Associate Members:

James Wolfsberg 1985 1988

Charles H. Johnson 1986 1989

ARTS LOTTERY COUNCIL

| | |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| Paul R. Brown | Donald Adams |
| Patrick B. Bell | Joseph Linehan |
| Lawrence Lyons | Lorraine A. Piver |
| Elizabeth Muckehaler | Cheryl Adams |

BAY CIRCUIT GREEN BELT COMMITTEE

Howard Hayward, Rep.

Conservation Commission

Historical Commission

BROCKTON AREA MENTAL HEALTH & RETARDATION REPRESENTATIVE

Lana Robbins

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Robert Robichaud (Resigned 8/86)

Dennis Machado

BY-LAW STUDY COMMITTEE

| | |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| Paul Curnette | David W. Lacy |
| Claire Davock | Neil Manzer |
| John C. Eldridge | Joseph McMorrow, Sr. |
| David A. Gill | William Oakhem |
| Marlene A. Howell | Paul J. Sheedy |

Gerald Stetson

CABLE TELEVISION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|---------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Herbert P. Billett | 1984 | 1986 |
| Peter W. Turner | 1984 | 1987 |
| Samuel Feinberg | 1984 | 1987 |
| James L. Grandfield | 1985 | 1988 |
| Richard J. Bagley | 1985 | 1988 |

CHRISTMAS DECORATING COMMITTEE

| | | |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Jeanne Rooney | Mary Leonard | Marie Langer |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|----------------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Michael Manugian, Director | 1986 | 1987 |
| Ronald P. Snell, Deputy Director | 1986 | 1987 |

CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY

Artemis Bucci

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|--------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Thomas J. Driscoll | 1984 | 1987 |
| Joseph Souza | 1984 | 1987 |
| Howard M. Hayward | 1984 | 1987 |
| Linda Green | 1985 | 1988 |
| John A. Dacey | 1986 | 1989 |
| Hugh R. Hurley | 1986 | 1989 |

COUNCIL ON AGING

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Kenneth B. Hollis | 1984 | 1987 |
| Samuel Feinberg | 1984 | 1987 |
| Marjorie E. MacDonald | 1984 | 1987 |
| Virginia T. Michaels | 1984 | 1987 |
| Joseph McMorrow, Sr. | 1985 | 1988 |
| Beth I. Burgess | 1985 | 1988 |
| David J. Cohen | 1985 | 1988 |
| Mildred H. Lucier | 1985 | 1988 |
| Edwin S. Grover | 1985 | 1987 |
| Robert Bolger | 1986 | 1989 |
| Lloyd A. Sears | 1986 | 1989 |
| Doris Sandrock | 1986 | 1989 |

DATA PROCESSING COMMITTEE

Frederick Baker, Jr. Marion Loughman
Shelly Leibowitz Charles Pye
Warren E. Turner

DOG OFFICER

Julie A. Vivace

DRURY BELL COMMITTEE

Marjorie E. MacDonald Judith A. Kinney
Charles A. Pickering Eldon F. Moreira

ENERGY COORDINATOR

George Miller

FENCE VIEWERS

Joseph Souza Marilyn Raleigh Hugh Hurley

FIELD DRIVERS

George Kinney Howard A. Anderson George E. Richardson

FIRE CHIEF

Charles Dyke

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Charles Dyke

HANDICAPPED COMMISSION

Russell Bump James C. Barber Virginia Michaels

HAZADOUS WASTE COORDINATOR

Charles Dyke

HERITAGE CAPSULE CUSTODIANS

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Marjorie E. MacDonald | 1984 | 1987 |
| Kenneth A. Turner | 1985 | 1988 |
| Charles A. Pickering | 1986 | 1989 |

HERRING WARDEN

Philip C. Tuck

DEPUTY HERRING WARDENS

Thomas B. MacQuinn Joseph Souza

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|--------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Nancy J. Bell (Resigned) | 1983 | 1986 |
| Lucia Marcotte | 1984 | 1987 |
| Karen Hofman | 1984 | 1987 |
| Susan Cross | 1985 | 1988 |
| David Lacy | 1985 | 1988 |
| Lawrence D. Conant | 1986 | 1989 |

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

| | Term Expires |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Frank Miller | 1987 |
| David L. Churchill | 1988 |
| William E. Turner, Jr. | 1989 |
| Thomas Phelan | 1990 |
| Donald I. MacIver | 1991 |

ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

| | |
|------------------|------|
| Charles Higgins | 1986 |
| Samuel Read, Jr. | 1987 |

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

| | Term Expires |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Joseph L. McMorrow, Sr. | 1987 |
| Robert L. Smith | 1988 |
| Madelyn T. Burke | 1989 |
| Donald L. MacIver | 1990 |
| Peter McPhail | 1991 |

INSPECTOR OF WIRES

Albert Greiner

LOCKUP KEEPER

Walter Thayer

MEMORIAL FIELD COMMITTEE

Robert Splitz William R. Brown, Sr. Thomas Roulstone

MEMORIAL AND VETERANS' DAY COMMITTEE

William R. Brown, Sr. Emmet Miller
Francis J. Boyd Richard McMahon

MULTI-HEALTH SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

Madeline F. Fallon

OCPC AREA AGENCY ON AGING

William R. Brown, Sr.

Kenneth Hollis, Alternate

OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL, 3 yrs.

Appointed

Term Expires

Charles A. Pickering

1986

1989

OLD COLONY ELDERLY SERVICES

Edward C. Svenson

David Cohen, Alternate

OLD COLONY OVERALL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM REPRESENTATIVE

George V. Hollertz, Jr.

PARKING CLERK

Judith A. Kinney

PIC DESIGNEE

PLYMOUTH COUNTY ADVISORY

BUDGET DESIGNEE

Eldon F. Moreira

PLUMBING AND GAS INSPECTOR

Joseph Donovan

POLICE STATION BUILDING COMMITTEE

Leonard Bucci

David Meade

George V. Hollertz

William Johnson

Robert L. Smith

Charles H. Johnson

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

Appointed

Term Expires

Nancy J. Bell (Resigned)

1983

1986

Lucia Marcotte

1984

1987

Karen Hofman

1984

1987

Susan Cross

1985

1988

David Lacy

1985

1988

Lawrence D. Conant

1986

1989

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Term Expires

Frank Miller

1987

David L. Churchill

1988

William E. Turner, Jr.

1989

Thomas Phelan

1990

Donald I. MacIver

1991

ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

| | |
|------------------|------|
| Charles Higgins | 1986 |
| Samuel Read, Jr. | 1987 |

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

| | Term Expires |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Joseph L. McMorrow, Sr. | 1987 |
| Robert L. Smith | 1988 |
| Madelyn T. Burke | 1989 |
| Donald L. MacIver | 1990 |
| Peter McPhail | 1991 |

INSPECTOR OF WIRES

Albert Greiner

LOCKUP KEEPER

Walter Thayer

MEMORIAL FIELD COMMITTEE

| | | |
|---------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Robert Splitz | William R. Brown, Sr. | Thomas Roulstone |
|---------------|-----------------------|------------------|

MEMORIAL AND VETERANS' DAY COMMITTEE

| | |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| William R. Brown, Sr. | Emmet Miller |
| Francis J. Boyd | Richard McMahon |

MULTI-HEALTH SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

Madeline F. Fallon

OCPA AREA AGENCY ON AGING

| | |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| William R. Brown, Sr. | Kenneth Hollis, Alternate |
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OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL, 3 yrs.

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|----------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Charles A. Pickering | 1986 | 1989 |

OLD COLONY ELDERLY SERVICES

| | |
|-------------------|------------------------|
| Edward C. Svenson | David Cohen, Alternate |
|-------------------|------------------------|

OLD COLONY OVERALL ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM REPRESENTATIVE

George V. Hollertz, Jr.

PARKING CLERK

Judith A. Kinney

PIC DESIGNEE
PLYMOUTH COUNTY ADVISORY
BUDGET DESIGNEE

Eldon F. Moreira

PLUMBING AND GAS INSPECTOR

Joseph Donovan

POLICE STATION BUILDING COMMITTEE

Leonard Bucci

David Meade

George V. Hollertz

William Johnson

Robert L. Smith

Charles H. Johnson

CHIEF OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Ervin G. Lothrop

PEST CONTROL SUPERINTENDENT, 3 yrs.

Thomas B. MacQuinn

RECREATION COMMISSION

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Sandra Kominsky | 1985 | 1987 |
| Marie Connolly | 1985 | 1988 |
| Diane Jollymore | 1985 | 1989 |
| Joseph Gareri | 1985 | 1990 |
| Mary Lou Jenness | 1986 | 1991 |

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|-----------------|-----------|--------------|
| Lance R. Ohlson | 1984 | 1987 |
| Francis J. Boyd | 1985 | 1988 |
| John Sillars | 1986 | 1989 |

REPRESENTATIVE TO SELF-HELP, INC.

Donald Shurtleff

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Donald E. Newman

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Herbert A. Wolfer

TENNIS COMMITTEE

Donald A. Fisher

Nancy M. Consolazio

Frank Miller

Marianne Lorrain

Marlene A. Howell

TOWN COUNSEL

John P. Lee

TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

Thomas B. MacQuinn Craig Harding Richard E. Norris

VETERAN'S AGENT

Armen Amerigian

Appointments by Moderator

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT COMMITTEE

John F. Gallagher

Judith A. Kinney

Charles H. Johnson

Richard E. Krugger

Craig Morris

COMMITTEE TO APPOINT A FINANCE COMMITTEE

Warren E. Turner

Paul Sheedy

Marion Loughman

Henry Bishop

Michael Manugian

STREET LIGHTING COMMITTEE

John B. Sillars

Raymond L. Silva

Arthur Steptoe

John Daly

James F. Purpura

MUNICIPAL BUILDING NEEDS AND USE COMMITTEE

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|-------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Joseph L. McMorrow, Sr. | 1985 | 1986 |
| Joseph A. Kennedy | 1985 | 1987 |
| Henry Podolsky | 1985 | 1987 |
| John F. Bottini | 1985 | 1988 |
| Richard H. McMahan | 1985 | 1988 |

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT PLANNING COMMITTEE

Donald A. Fisher

Thomas F. Kelley

William P. Bystrom

Appointments by Board of Health

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Leo F. Moroni

BOARD OF HEALTH PHYSICIAN

Dr. Joseph F. Calitri

BURIAL AGENT

Anna E. Brown

Appointments by Chief of Fire Department

DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF

Leonard T. Hunt

DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS

| | |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| Paul R. Lanoue | Thomas B. MacQuinn |
| Leonard T. Hunt | Allen A. Breer |
| Richard W. Gibson | Paul Golder |
| Charles A. Dyke | Thomas Dunlevy |

FINANCE COMMITTEE

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Lawrence H. Ryan | 1984 | 1987 |
| Craig A. Morris | 1984 | 1987 |
| Joanne M. Kelley | 1984 | 1987 |
| James B. Howell | 1985 | 1988 |
| Charles J. Loycano | 1985 | 1988 |
| Joseph Cashman (Res. 7/23/86) | 1985 | 1988 |
| John G. Wojiechowski (Appt. 8/86) | 1985 | 1988 |
| Robert L. Smith | 1986 | 1989 |
| Frederick A. McPeck | 1986 | 1989 |
| David Lacey | 1986 | 1989 |

Miscellaneous Licenses Issued

Following monies received in Town Clerk's Office and paid to the Treasurer:

| | |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Miscellaneous | \$80,911.45 |
| Dog Licenses Fees | 1,506.75 |
| Fish & Game Fees | 189.00 |
| Total | <hr/> \$82,607.20 |

| | |
|---|-------------|
| Fish and Game Licenses Paid to Division of Fish and Wildlife | \$ 4,129.45 |
| Dog Licenses paid to Treasurer for County | \$ 2,472.00 |

A True Copy,
Attest: Anna E. Brown, CMC
Town Clerk

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Special Town Meeting March 24, 1986

A meeting of which the inhabitants of the Town of West Bridgewater qualified to vote in election and Town Affairs was held at the Jr. Sr. High School Auditorium on Monday, March 24, 1986. Warrant was issued by Board of Selectmen and posted by the Constable, Raymond L. Silva on the 10th Day of March, 1986.

Meeting called to order by the Moderator, John C. Eldridge at 7:35 P.M. Warrant was read by the Town Clerk Anna E. Brown.

85 Voters checked in by the Board of Registrars.

Meeting proceeded as follows:

Article 1. Moved: The sum of \$6,125.69 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to pay the following old bills:

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Almeida Office Supply | \$ 92.00 |
| Jamar Sales Company | 174.00 |
| New England Engine Corp. | 353.71 |
| Eastern Edison Company | 106.61 |
| Library Products | 35.47 |
| GSX Corp. of New England | 5,356.00 |
| Division of Employment Sec. | 7.70 |

Open vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 2. Moved: The sum of \$40,000.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to meet overtime salaries of the Fire Department for fiscal 1985-1986.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 3. Moved: The sum of \$50,000.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to meet operating expenses of the Highway Department transfer station operation for fiscal year 1985-1986.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 4. Moved: The sum of \$7,000.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to meet insurance expenses for fiscal year 1985-1986.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 5. Moved: The sum of \$2,700.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to meet salary expenses in the Treasurer/Collector's office for fiscal year 1985-1986.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 6. Moved: The sum of \$1,222.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to meet salary expenses in the Board of Health office for fiscal year 1985-1986.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 7. Moved: The sum of \$300.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to meet expenses of the Cable Television committee for fiscal year 1985-1986.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 8. Moved: The sum of \$300.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to meet expenses of the Municipal Building Needs and Use Committee.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 9. Moved: The sum of \$39,142.11 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to meet wage increases for employees in the Clerical Unit and the Highway, Tree, and Water Department units and wage increases for employees not covered by the bargaining units.

Motion amended to read the sum of \$38,034.00 to be transferred.

Upon a counted vote of Yes — 42 and No — 38 the sum of \$39,142.12 was carried.

Article 10. Moved: The sum of \$1,500.00 be transferred from unencumbered fund balance to be expended by the Water Commissioners to construct a Pole Barn.

Motion amended to read transfer the sum of \$1,500.00 from operating budget of the Water Department.

Upon vote amendment carried.

Article 11. Moved: To pass this article without action. Motion carried.

Article 12. Moved: The sum of \$20,000.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to be expended by the Water Commissioners for pumping and testing proposed new walls adjacent to the Town's Cyr Street Property as necessary for approval by the DEQE.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 13. Moved: The sum of \$3,500.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to be expended by the Water Commissioners for a Land survey for proposed purchase and use of future well sites.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 14. Moved: The sum of \$633,000 be transferred from Article 13, April 13, 1985 Annual Town Meeting, to lease or purchase a backhoe tractor to purchase a Two-Way Radio for the backhoe tractor.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 15. Moved: The Town vote to indemnify in accordance with the provisions of section 9 of Chapter 258 of the General Laws, all officers and employees of the Town of West Bridgewater from personal financial loss and expenses, including legal fees and costs, if any, in an amount not to exceed One Million Dollars arising out of any claim, action, award, compromise, settlement or judgment by reason of an intentional tort, or by reason of any act or omission which constitute a violation of the Civil Rights of any person under any Federal or State law, if such employee or official at the time of such intentional tort or such act or omission was acting within the scope of his official duties or employment, provided that no such employee or official shall be so indemnified for violation of any such civil rights if he acted in a grossly negligent, willful or malicious manner.

Upon vote motion carried.

Article 16. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting. Moved to adjourn. Adjourned at 9:41 P.M.

A true copy,
Attest: Anne E. Brown
Town Clerk

Annual Town Election

April 19, 1986

The Annual Town Election was held at the Spring Street School on Saturday, April 19, 1986. The Warrant issued by the Selectmen was posted by the Constable, Raymond L. Silva, on April 7, 1986 according with the provisions of the Town By-Laws.

Specimen ballots, cards of instructions and abstracts of the laws imposing penalties upon voters were posted as required by the laws of the Commonwealth.

The polls were opened at 9 A.M. The ballot boxes in both precincts were inspected and the registers set at 0000. A total of 2,500 ballots were given to the Warden John Sillars and receipt given to the Town Clerk for the same.

At the close of the polls at 8 P.M. the ballot box registers showed the following number of ballots cast:

| | |
|-------------|------------|
| Precinct I | 698 |
| Precinct II | <u>746</u> |
| Total | 1444 |

The following workers were sworn in:

Precinct I: DeSales Heath, Warden; Edyth Baker, Clerk; Natalie Beaulieu, Mary Cruz, Janet Merritt, Joyce Nystrom, Elizabeth Turner, Catherine Chaves, Joanne Stork, Helen Nelson, Counters and observers; Dorothy Williams, Claire Davock, Tally.

Precinct II: John Sillars, Warden; Warren Laughton, Clerk; Coralee Travers, Shirley Almquist, Paula Turner, Barbara Cohen, Checkers; Debbie Podolsky, Joan McAndrews, Katherine Deibel, Helen Souza, Theresa Boardman, Janet Merritt, William R. Brown, Jr., Joseph Souza, Total Tally.

The results were declared at 11:30 P.M. and were as follows:

| | PREC. I | PREC. II | TOTAL |
|--|---------|----------|-------|
| MODERATOR, 1 yr. | | | |
| John C. Eldrige | 571 | 600 | 1171 |
| Scat | | 3 | 3 |
| Blanks | 127 | 143 | 270 |
| John C. Eldrige declared elected. | | | |
| SELECTMAN, 3 yrs. | | | |
| Charles A. Pickering | 272 | 265 | 537 |
| James Bertarelli | 84 | 124 | 208 |
| Thomas F. Kelley | 226 | 237 | 463 |
| Richard H. McMahon | 96 | 93 | 189 |
| Charles A. Pickering declared elected. | | | |

ASSESSOR, 3 yrs.

| | | | |
|------------------|-----|-----|------|
| DeSales J. Heath | 566 | 602 | 1168 |
| Blanks | 132 | 144 | 276 |

DeSales J. Heath declared elected.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY, 3 yrs.

| | | | |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Laurel Swanson | 482 | 498 | 980 |
| David J. Cohen | 483 | 493 | 976 |
| Scattered | | 1 | 1 |
| Blanks | 431 | 500 | 931 |

Laurel Swanson and David J. Cohen declared elected.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 3 yrs.

| | | | |
|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Joseph A. Kennedy | 442 | 464 | 906 |
| Herbert P. Billett | 226 | 218 | 444 |
| William P. Oakhem | 216 | 244 | 460 |
| Matthew Travers | 245 | 296 | 541 |
| Blanks | 267 | 270 | 537 |

Joseph A. Kennedy and Matthew Travers declared elected.

WATER COMMISSIONER, 3 yrs.

| | | | |
|---------------|-----|-----|------|
| Donald Davock | 599 | 625 | 1224 |
| Blanks | 99 | 121 | 220 |

Donald Davock declared elected.

BOARD OF HEALTH, 3 yrs.

| | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-----|------|
| Marie T. Bagley | 539 | 559 | 1098 |
| Blanks | 159 | 187 | 346 |

Marie T. Bagley declared elected.

PLANNING BOARD, 5 yrs.

| | | | |
|----------------------|-----|-----|------|
| D. Christopher Cross | 580 | 599 | 1179 |
| Blanks | 118 | 147 | 265 |

D. Christopher Cross declared elected.

TREE WARDEN, 3 yrs.

| | | | |
|--------------------|-----|-----|------|
| Philip D. MacQuinn | 589 | 620 | 1209 |
| Blanks | 109 | 126 | 235 |

Philip D. MacQuinn declared elected.

CONSTABLES, 3 yrs.

| | | | |
|------------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Raymond L. Silva | 395 | 355 | 750 |
| Thomas W. Dunlevy, Jr. | 163 | 194 | 357 |
| William A. Geary | 177 | 200 | 377 |
| Walter L. Thayer, Jr. | 387 | 418 | 805 |
| Blanks | 274 | 325 | 599 |

Raymond L. Silva and Walter L. Thayer, Jr. declared elected.

HOUSING AUTHORITY, 5 yrs.

| | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Robert L. Kellie | 382 | 386 | 768 |
| Roberta P. Turner | 265 | 294 | 559 |
| Blanks | 51 | 66 | 117 |

Robert L. Kellie declared elected.

Question #1 — Indemnify municipal officials

| | | | |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|
| Yes | 412 | 440 | 852 |
| No | 159 | 167 | 139 |
| Blanks | 127 | 139 | 266 |

A true copy,
Attest: Anne E. Brown
Town Clerk

**Annual Town Meeting
May 12, 1986**

The following action was taken at the Annual Town Meeting in which the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote in elections and town affairs were notified by warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen and posted by the Constable, Raymond L. Silva on May 2, 1986. Meeting held in the High School Gymnasium.

Meeting called to order by the Moderator John Eldridge at 7:35 P.M. The High School Bank, under the direction of Randall Gage opened with the National Anthem. Invocation was given by Rev. Paul Hannon from the First Church.

Eldon F. Morerira, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen presented Thomas B. MacQuinn, retiring Tree Warden, with the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Thomas B. MacQuinn, has served the Town of West Bridgewater as Tree Warden from March, 1952 to April, 1986; and

WHEREAS, Thomas B. MacQuinn, has faithfully and conscientiously served the Town of West Bridgewater in numerous capacities which have benefited the Town;

WHEREAS, Thomas B. MacQuinn, has given of his energy, good humor and enthusiasm for these thirty-four years and has always been in the forefront promoting the best interests of West Bridgewater,

NOW, THEREFORE, RESOLVED:

That the Town of West Bridgewater expresses its gratitude and appreciation in the exemplary service of THOMAS B. MAC-QUINN and that this RESOLUTION be spread on the records of the Town Clerk and a copy presented to THOMAS B. MAC-QUINN.

Board of Selectmen,
Eldon F. Moreira, *Chairman*
Judith A. Kinney, *Clerk*
Charles A. Pickering
Attest: Anna E. Brown,
Town Clerk

Warrant was then read by Town Clerk, Anna E. Brown. 278 Voters were present.

Meeting proceeded as follows:

Article 1. Moved: The reports of all Town Officers and Committees be accepted as printed in the 1985 Annual Town Report.

Upon vote motion carried.

Article 2. Moved: That the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen be authorized to borrow in the anticipation of the Revenue of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1986, in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws Chapter 44 section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 3. Moved: That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to enter into a contract or contracts with the Department of Public Works and the County Commissioners for the construction and maintenance of Public Highways for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1986.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 4. Moved: To transfer the sum of \$1,134.80 from the County Dog Fund and the sum of \$3,179.50 from the Library State Aid Account to the Library Expense Account.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 5. Moved: The salary of the following elected Town Officers for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1986 be set at:

| | | | |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------------|-------------|
| Moderator | \$ 189.00 | Tree Warden | \$26,246.00 |
| Selectmen | 5,350.00 | Assessors | 6,246.00 |
| Town Clerk | 20,500.00 | Water Comm. | 3,736.00 |
| Treasurer/Collector | 24,012.00 | Board of Health | 1,399.00 |

The following committees to serve without pay:

Library Trustees, School Committee, Planning Board.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 6. Voted: The Town appropriate \$6,761,210.00 to defray town charges as recommended, and to meet such expenditures as follows: The sum of \$264,000. for Insurance, the sum of \$54,000. from Taxation and the sum of \$210,000. from Revenue Sharing.

Water Dept. Expenses and Bonds taken from Water Revenue.

Reserve Fund \$40,000.00 — with the sum of \$8,736.00 from Overlay Surplus and \$31,264.00 from Taxation.

The Library Account to be reduced by Library State Aid and County Dog Fund.

The following budget was approved unanimously:

| | |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Moderator | 289.00 |
| Finance Committee | 100.00 |
| Selectmen | 40,544.00 |
| Accountant | 14,158.00 |
| Treasurer/Collector | 66,718.00 |
| Assessors | 30,519.00 |
| Law | 15,000.00 |
| Town Clerk | 28,497.00 |
| Election & Registration | 10,944.00 |
| Town Hall | 18,786.00 |
| Police | 609,939.00 |
| Fire Dept. & Station | 327,498.00 |
| Tree Warden & Parks | 76,000.00 |
| Sealer of Weights & Measures | 1,238.00 |
| Inspector of Wires | 1,650.00 |
| Inspector of Buildings | 18,828.00 |
| Inspector of Gas & Plumbing | 3,200.00 |
| Dog Officer | 19,025.00 |
| Civil Defense | 940.00 |
| Planning Board | 3,175.00 |
| Board of Appeals | 1,250.00 |
| Conservation Committee | 3,000.00 |
| Board of Health | 30,918.00 |
| Highway | 457,206.00 |
| Veterans Services | 33,729.00 |
| Town Schools | 3,853,098.00 |
| Southeastern Regional Vocational | 41,751.00 |
| Library | 102,304.00 |
| Industrial Development | 100.00 |
| Ind. Dev. Fin. Authority | 100.00 |
| Water Department | 198,473.00 |

| | |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Recreation | 4,228.00 |
| Council on Aging | 21,581.00 |
| Cable TV Committee | 250.00 |
| Street Lights | 50,000.00 |
| Contributory Retirement | 195,473.00 |
| Memorial & Veterans Day | 500.00 |
| Town Reports | 5,000.00 |
| Holiday Decorations | 500.00 |
| Reserve Fund | 40,000.00 |
| Memorial Field | 500.00 |
| By-Law Study Committee | 500.00 |
| County Aid to Agriculture | 125.00 |
| Tennis Courts | 200.00 |
| Historical Commission | 250.00 |
| S.E. Human Resource Assoc. | 1,990.00 |
| Engineering Services | 100.00 |
| Comm. on Handicapped Affairs | 200.00 |
| Mun. Bldg. Needs & Use Comm. | 300.00 |
| Insurance | 264,000.00 |
| Bonds & Interest | 166,195.00 |

Article 7. Moved: To authorize the School Committee to maintain a State-Aided Vocational program in Accordance with the provisions of Chapter 74, General Laws, as amended and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,475.00.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 8. Moved: The Town vote to transfer \$115,000.00 from the Stabilization Fund to purchase and equip a new pumping engine for the Fire Department.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 9. Passed without action.

Article 10. Moved: The Town vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to enter into a contract for a reevaluation program for the Town to satisfy certification and classification requirements of Chapter 797 of the Acts of 1979 and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000.00 to be expended by the Board of Assessors to meet such expense.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 11. Moved: The sum of \$4,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to purchase a copy machine for the Town Hall.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 12. Moved: The sum of \$1,200.00 be raised and appropriated for the Town's participation in the Plymouth County Rape Crisis Center.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 13. Moved: The Town vote to authorize and direct the Selectmen to Petition the Great and General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to enact legislation to enable the Town of West Bridgewater to control land rents and evictions in Mobile Home Parks.

Upon vote motion carried.

Article 14. Moved: The sum of \$10,682.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to purchase, install and otherwise equip two new dump bodies for the Highway Department.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 15. Moved: The sum of \$7,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Tree Warden to purchase a new stainless Steel Tank for the Forestry Department Mist Blower Sprayer.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 16. Moved: The sum of \$25,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to purchase two, 1986 cruisers for the Police Department and to dispose of two cruisers in the best interest of the Town.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 17. Moved: The sum of \$4,000.00 be raised and appropriated to purchase four portable radios for the Police Department.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 18. Moved: The Town vote to accept the March 22, 1976 layout of Forest Street, laid out by the Board of Selectmen in accordance with M.G.L., Chapter 82, Section 23 and authorize the Board of Selectmen to take by eminent domain, purchase or accept by gift, such land as is necessary to effect the layout and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 for the purpose of acquiring land in connection with the laying out of Forest Street.

Upon vote motion carried.

Article 19. Moved: The Town authorize the Treasurer/Collector to enter into a compensating balance agreement or agreements for fiscal year 1986-1987 pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 53F, M.G.L.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 20. Moved: The sum of \$16,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to purchase equipment for the transfer station operation.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 21. Moved: That the Standard Waste Acquisition Agreement, dated January 1, 1985, between the Town and SEMASS Partnership providing for the acquisition and disposal of the Town's trash, refuse and garbage is hereby approved and the signing thereof by the Board of Selectmen is hereby ratified.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 22. Moved: The Town vote to accept the provisions of Section 40, Chapter 71 as amended by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985.

Upon vote motion carried.

Article 23. Moved: The Town vote to accept the provisions of Section 13, of Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985 to provide for the purpose of increasing West Bridgewater Teacher Compensation.

Upon vote motion carried.

Article 24. Moved: The Town vote to accept a professional development grant for Southeastern Regional School District Teachers pursuant to Chapter 188 Section 13 of the Acts of 1985.

Upon vote motion carried.

Article 25. Moved: The Town vote to accept an equal education opportunity grant for the Southeastern Regional School District for fiscal Year 1987 under the provisions of M.G.L., Chapter 70A Section 5 as inserted by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985 to be expended by the School Committee for direct services expenditures with funds provided solely by the Commonwealth.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 26. Moved: The Town vote to authorize the School Committee to repair or replace the Howard School roof and to meet this expenditure to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow the sum of \$140,000.00 under G.L. Chapter 44, as amended.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 27. Moved: The sum of \$33,000.00 be raised and appropriated to fund the temporary position of Administrative Assistant to the Board of Selectmen to be filled for a period of a Commonwealth of Massachusetts Grant for such purpose, pursuant to M.G.L., Chapter 41, Section 23A and to authorize the Moderator to appoint a search committee of five members to interview and recommend candidates to the Board of Selectmen for said position.

Upon vote motion carried.

Article 28. Moved: The sum of \$5,000.00 be raised and appropriated from Water Revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase water meters.

Upon vote motion carried.

Article 29. Moved: The sum of \$1,950.00 be raised and appropriated from Water Revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase an Electric Operator for Tapping Machine, pump for pumping hydrants and a main pressure tester.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 30. Moved: The sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated from Water Revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to rebuild the Parco Valve at the Manley Street Station.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 31. Moved: The sum of \$25,000.00 be raised and appropriated from Water Revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners for engineering services, inspection services and contracting services, to paint the 100,000 gallon water standpipe.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 32. Moved: The sum of \$10,000.00 be raised and appropriated from Water Revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to retain Professional and Engineering Services to test and evaluate the drawdown problems at the Norman Avenue Well.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 33. Moved: That \$100,000.00 be appropriated to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase, accept by gift or grant or take by eminent domain, parcels of land totalling sixty-two acres, more or less, off Cyr Street adjacent to the present Town Wells for future well sites as shown on Assessors Map H4, Lots 39, 40, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 61, 97, 98, 99, 100 and 101; Assessors Map G4, Lots 33-1, 34-1, 38 and 65-1; Assessors Map G5, Lot 70 and to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of Selectmen be authorized to borrow \$100,000 under G.L., Chapter 44, S 8 (3); and that the Water Commissioners be authorized to take all action necessary to carry out this project.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 34. Passed without action.

Article 35. Moved: That \$500,000.00 be appropriated to be expended by the Water Commissioners to develop and construct a new well, to lay and relay water mains of not less than six inches, to construct a new building for the Water Department and for Water Department equipment: That to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be authorized to borrow \$500,000.00 under G.L., Chapter 44, Section 8 and that the Water Commissioners are authorized to take all action necessary to carry out this project.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 36. Moved: The Town vote to accept Chapter 308, Acts of 1985 authorizing the Town of West Bridgewater to assume responsibility and liability for Dog Licensing, control and regulation and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to meet this expenditure.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 37. Passed without action.

Article 38. Moved: The Town vote to authorize the School Committee and the Board of Selectmen to transfer control of a parcel of land on the South side of Howard Street being described as follows:

Beginning at the northwest corner in the Southerly line of Howard Street at the northwest corner of land now or formerly of Thomas W. Bellevue, thence:

in the southerly line of Howard Street in two courses, N 58° 06' 10" E a distance of 204.40 feet and N 59° 56' 10" E a distance of 88.93 ft. to the center line of an entrance driveway, thence:

by the driveway and other land of the Town under the control of the West Bridgewater School Committee in three courses, S 22° 00' 07" E a distance of 141.27 ft., S 24° 13' 44" E a distance of 263.05 ft. and S 66° 21' 08" W a distance of 190.03 ft. to a stone wall and other land of the Town under the control of the Board of Selectmen, thence;

in two courses by said land, N 16° 38' 52" W a distance of 219.25 ft. to a turn and S 58° 13' 49" W a distance of 132.95 ft. to a corner of land of said Bellevue; thence; by land of said Bellevue, N 21° 41' 50" W a distance of 166.25 ft. to the point of beginning at Howard Street,

meaning and intending to describe a parcel of land 2.024 acres in area as shown on Plan of Land in West Bridgewater, Massachusetts belonging to the Town of West Bridgewater dated May 5, 1986 from the Office of the Board of Selectmen. Said parcel of land to remain under the exclusive control of the Trustees of the Public Library for the purpose of constructing and maintaining a public Library facility. There is also transferred all rights of easement to construct and install such utilities including sewage as may be required and approved by the regulatory agencies of the Town and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts provided that there be no direct expense to the Schools or School Department to effect such installation and to maintain that portion of the utilities installed. Further it is understood that in the event that a library facility is not constructed or a period of two years elapses without construction having started, the control of the above described land will revert to the control of the West Bridgewater School Committee unless there be a reaffirmation of this transfer agreement.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 39. Moved: The sum of \$8,100.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board Selectmen for repairs to the heating system and for miscellaneous improvements to the Town Hall.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 40. Moved: The sum of \$15,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to make necessary exterior repairs to the Town Hall.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 41. Moved: The sum of \$3,978 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to purchase three portable radios and associated equipment for the Fire Department.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 42. Moved: The sum of \$4,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to purchase four portable radios, base station and accessory equipment.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 43. Moved: The sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to conduct underground storage tank testing.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 44. Moved: The Town vote to accept the provisions of M.G.L., Chapter 148, Section 26C and 26E which read as follows:

26C. Certain Public Accommodation; Automatic Smoke or Heat Detectors

In any City or town which accepts this section Apartment houses containing six or more dwelling units, Hotels, Boarding or Lodging Houses, or Family Hotels which are not regulated by sections twenty six A and twenty six B shall be equipped with an automatic smoke or heat detector in each dwelling unit and each hallway floor. The head of the Fire Department as defined in section one shall enforce the provisions of this section.

26E. Residential Buildings or Structures; Time for and manner of Installation of Smoke Detectors.

In any City or Town which accepts this section, Buildings or structures occupied in whole or in part for residential purposes, and not regulated by Sections twenty six A, twenty six B, or twenty six C shall, within one year of the date of such acceptance, be equipped with approved smoke detectors. For buildings or structures occupied in whole or in part for residential purposes and containing a maximum of two dwelling units, one approved smoke detector shall be installed on each level of habitation and on the basement level. Such approved smoke detector shall be installed in the following manner: An approved smoke detector shall be installed on the ceiling of each stairway leading to the floor above, near the base of, but not within each stairway and an approved smoke detector shall be installed outside of each separate sleeping area. For buildings or structures occupied in whole or in part for residential purposes and containing not less than three nor more than five dwelling units, an approved smoke detector shall be installed in each dwelling unit outside each separate sleeping area and in all common hallways of said residential building or structure.

The Head of the Fire Department shall enforce the provisions of this section. The provisions of Section thirty shall not apply to this section.

Article 45. Passed without action.

Article 46. Voted: The article was not properly before the meeting therefore

No vote could be taken at this time.

Article 47. Moved: The Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell Fire Department Old Combination 2 or otherwise dispose of same.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 48. Moved: The sum of \$25,000 be appropriated for the Stabilization Fund.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 49. Moved: The sum of \$25,000.00 be transferred from Surplus Revenue to be used for the purpose of reducing the Tax Rate for the Fiscal Year July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 50. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Moved: The Town vote to accept the "Jaws of Life" donated to the Fire Department by Joseph Braga.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Vote of thanks was given to the School Department for the use of the facilities for the Town Meeting.

Vote of thanks was given to the Moderator for completing a successful meeting.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

A true copy,
Attest: Anne E. Brown
Town Clerk

Special Town Meeting June 16, 1986

A meeting of which the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote in elections and town affairs were notified by warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen and posted by Constable, Walter Thayer, Jr. on June 2, 1986 was held in the High School Auditorium at 7:30 P.M. June 16, 1986.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, John C. Eldridge. Warrant was read by the Town Clerk Anna E. Brown.

Meeting proceeded as follows:

Article 1. Moved: The sum of \$119,500.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to meet wage increases for the West Bridgewater Police Association; \$39,500.00 for fiscal 1985-1986 and \$80,000.00 for fiscal 1986-1987.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 2. Moved: That \$70,000.00 be appropriated to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase or take by eminent domain, a parcel of land 39, 759 SF more or less being a portion of parcel 38, Assessor Map B3 and further described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the easterly line of Walnut St. 4.23 ft. northerly of a County Highway Monument and at the southwest corner of land of the late Louis Kaminsky and Louise Kaminsky,

thence, northerly and westerly by a curved line of radius 4175.00 ft. being the easterly line of Walnut St. a distance of 200.00 ft.

to a point and other land of said Kaminsky;

thence, N 87° 11' 13" E a distance of 200 ft. by Kaminsky to a corner;

thence, S 06° 22' 40" E a distance of 199.98 ft. by Kaminsky to a stone wall and land of Louis D'Arpino, tr.;

thence, S 87° 11' 13" W a distance of 200. ft. by a stone wall and land of D'Arpino, tr. to the easterly line of Walnut Street and the point of beginning.

Meaning and intending to describe a parcel of land 39,759 sf. more or less.

The purpose of said acquisition is for Municipal Water storage purposes and to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be authorized to borrow \$70,000 under G.L. Chapter 44, S8 (3); and that the Water Commissioners be authorized to take all action necessary to carry out this project.

Article 3. Moved: The sum of \$11,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of cleaning and redeveloping the existing gravel packed well off Manley Street Extension and making any necessary repairs to the pumping unit.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 4. Moved: The sum of \$2,100.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to transfer a used police cruiser to the Fire Department and to paint and equip the vehicle for the Chief's car and to dispose of the existing car in the best interest of the town.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 5. Moved: The sum of \$21,000.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to pay for Group Insurance for fiscal 1985-1986.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 6. Moved: The Town vote to accept Kenneth Street and Lisa Way as laid out by the Board of Selectmen.

Motion amended to read: Vote to accept Kenneth Street and Lisa Way as shown on the Sub-Division Plan entitled "Briarwood" owned by Bertie Blanchard and filed properly with the Planning Board and the Town Clerk and subsequently approved and recorded in Registry of Deeds.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 7. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Moved: Ownership of the Old Fire Department Combination 2 be transferred to the West Bridgewater Firefighters Association, for use in public relations and Fire Prevention activities.

Upon vote motion carried.

Motion made to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

A true copy,
Attest: Anna E. Brown
Town Clerk

Special Town Meeting August 25, 1986

A meeting of which the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote in elections and town affairs were notified by warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen and posted by Constable Raymond L. Silva on August 11, 1986.

The meeting was called to order in the Junior-Senior High School Auditorium by the Moderator, John C. Eldridge at 7:40 P.M. Warrant was read by the Town Clerk, Anna E. Brown. 155 voters were checked in at the door.

Meeting proceeded as follows:

Article 1. Moved: The Town vote to appropriate \$375,000.00 in addition to the \$375,000.00 appropriated under Article 16, 1985 Annual Town Meeting, for constructing, originally equipping and furnishing an addition to the present Police Station and to meet such appropriation the sum of \$375,000.00 be raised by borrowing in accord with the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 7 M.G.L.

Recommended unanimously by the Finance Committee.

Upon a counted vote of Yes — 139, No — 5, motion carried.

Article 2. Moved: The sum of \$88,599.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to meet wage increases for the Firefighters' Association; \$27,567.00 for 1985-1986 and \$61,032.00 for 1986-1987.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 3. Moved: To request the Board of Selectmen to take no further official action on any request for curb cuts, tree cuts or tree removal, change of use of existing buildings, or building permits until such time as a comprehensive plan for the entire parcel at 120 West Center Street, as shown on Assessor's Map F-8 as Lot 76 (known as the Barnside Project) is presented to the Board of Selectmen that resolves all common nuisance and public safety issues to the satisfaction of Public Safety Officials and the Board of Selectmen and until the recently raised historical issues are resolved.

Moderator read the following opinion from the Town Counsel as to the legality of Article 3.

“This is a petitioned Article, and I understand that its insertion on the Warrant was requested by the number of registered voters required under the provisions of Chapter 39, section 10 of the General Laws. Accordingly, there is no question that the Article is properly on the Warrant. The questions to be decided are whether the subject matter of the Article is appropriate for action by the Town Meeting and whether, assuming it obtained a favorable vote, such vote would have any legal effect or standing.

It should be noted at the outset that the Town Meeting is the legislative branch of the Town. Its principal powers are the legislative functions and for administering and implementing statutes and by-laws is entrusted by law to the Board of Selectmen and to the various other Boards and Town officials. The subject matter of Article 3 clearly pertains to the performance of administrative duties and responsibilities and is not an appropriate matter for consideration and vote by a Town Meeting.

Article 3 requests the Town to vote to instruct the Board of Selectmen not to take any action with respect to curb cuts, tree cuts, tree removal and the issuance of building permits until a comprehensive plan for the entire parcel known as the “Barnside Project” is submitted which resolves issues of common nuisance and public safety. The Board of Selectmen is already charged under both state and local law with the responsibility of not taking action to approve such matters, with the exception of the issuance of building permits which is the responsibility of the Building Inspector, until such issues are resolved. The Building Inspector, before issuing a building permit, is charged with the responsibility of determining that the proposed building project complies with the provisions of the Massachusetts Building Code and the provisions of the Town's By-Laws. In this respect, it should be noted that Article XXV, Section 1 under “Requirements for Permits” specifically provides that, before any building or structure take place, the owner must obtain approval of the Building Inspector by filing an application which sets forth a “detailed description of the location, purpose and construction of the proposed work and the costs thereof, with full and complete copies of plans of such work, together with such structural detail and plot plan as the Building Inspector may require.”

Inasmuch, as I have indicated above, the Board of Selectmen and the Building Inspector, are now charged under existing law with the responsibility of performing the duties which the proposed Article seeks to have the Town instruct them to do, the Article itself is redundant and its passage from a legal viewpoint has no effect. The article, however, is properly on the Warrant, and it should be voted on. A favorable vote on the Article certainly will express the feelings of the people with respect to the proposed "Barnside Project."

Vote taken on motion was Yes — 96, No — 29.

Article 4. Moved: The sum of \$17,500.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to cover the salary of one additional permanent full time Police Officer.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 5. Moved: To request the Board of Selectmen to appoint a By-Law Study Committee to study and revise the By-Laws including the Zoning By-Laws of the Town of West Bridgewater and report back to the next Annual Town Meeting.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 6. Moved: The sum of \$1,125.99 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to pay the following old bills:

| | |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Division of Employment Security | \$712.00 |
| New England Telephone Company | 57.78 |
| Gary Savery | 356.21 |

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 7. To transact any other business that may legally come before meeting.

Moved: The Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish and appoint a temporary committee of five (5) to study, develop and recommend a detailed plan and program of purchase by the Board of Selectmen of electronic micro-computer or minicomputer equipment, data storage devices, peripherals and accessories to be utilized in some or all Town Departments with said recommendation appearing as an article for town action on the next annual town meeting warrant.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting. So voted. Meeting adjourned at 9:34 P.M.

A true copy,
Attest: Anna E. Brown
Town Clerk

State Primary September 16, 1986

State Primary was held at the Spring Street School on Tuesday, September 16, 1986. The Warrant issued by the Selectmen was posted by the Constable, Raymond L. Silva, on September 2, 1986 according with the Provisions of the Laws.

Specimen ballots, cards of instructions and abstracts of the laws imposing penalties upon voters were posted as required by the laws of the Commonwealth.

The polls were opened at 7 A.M. The ballot boxes in both precincts were inspected and the registers set at 0000. A total of 1150 Republican ballots and 1100 Democratic ballots were given to Charles Johnson, Warden in Precinct I and 1250 Republican ballots and 1200 Democratic ballots were given to John Sillars, Warden in Precinct II and receipt given to Town Clerk for same.

At the close of the polls at 8 P.M. the ballot box registers showed the following number of ballots cast:

| | |
|--------------|------------|
| Precinct I | 254 |
| Precinct II | <u>200</u> |
| Ballots Cast | 454 |

The following workers were sworn in:

Wardens: John Sillars, Charles Johnson; Clerks: Edyth Baker, Warren Laughton; Checkers: Natalie Beaulieu, Mary Cruz, Joyce Nystrom. Helen Johnson, Shirley Almquist, Coralee Travers, Paul Turner, Barbara Cohen; Counters and observers: Elizabeth Turner, Joan McAndrews, Katherine Diebel, Helen Souza, Theresa Boardman, Janet Merritt, Alice Richardson, Ann Long, Mary Leonard, Lois Ketler, Elaine Laughton; Total Tallies: Dorothy Williams, Claire Davock, William R. Brown, Jr., Joseph Souza.

Following results were given:

REPUBLICAN BALLOT

| | Prec. I | Prec. II | Total |
|----------------------|---------|----------|-------|
| 123 total count | | | |
| GOVERNOR | | | |
| Gregory S. Hyatt | 33 | 17 | 50 |
| Royal H. Switzler | 17 | 6 | 23 |
| George Kariotis | 9 | 5 | 14 |
| Blanks | 22 | 14 | 36 |
| LT. GOVERNOR | | | |
| Nicholas M. Nikitas | 69 | 30 | 99 |
| Blanks | 12 | 12 | 24 |
| ATTY. GENERAL | | | |
| Edward F. Harrington | 72 | 32 | 104 |
| Blanks | 9 | 10 | 19 |

SECRETARY

| | | | |
|---------------------|----|----|-----|
| Deborah R. Corcoran | 74 | 32 | 106 |
| Blanks | 7 | 10 | 17 |

TREASURER

| | | | |
|------------------|----|----|-----|
| L. Joyce Hampers | 73 | 31 | 104 |
| Blanks | 8 | 11 | 19 |

AUDITOR

| | | | |
|-------------------------|----|----|----|
| Andrew S. Natsius | 25 | 13 | 38 |
| William "Bill" Robinson | 47 | 25 | 72 |
| Blanks | 9 | 4 | 13 |

CONGRESSMAN

| | | | |
|----------------|----|----|-----|
| Brian Donnelly | 1 | | 1 |
| Blanks | 80 | 42 | 122 |

COUNCILLOR

| | | | |
|---------------|----|----|----|
| Loe Anne Pino | 64 | 24 | 88 |
| Blanks | 17 | 18 | 35 |

SENATOR

| | | | |
|-----------------|----|----|-----|
| Edward P. Kirby | 78 | 38 | 116 |
| Blanks | 3 | 4 | 7 |

REPRESENTATIVE

| | | | |
|----------------|----|----|-----|
| Daniel G. West | 1 | | 1 |
| Blanks | 80 | 42 | 122 |

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

| | | | |
|--------|----|----|-----|
| Blanks | 81 | 42 | 123 |
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SHERIFF

| | | | |
|--------|----|----|-----|
| Blanks | 81 | 42 | 123 |
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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

| | | | |
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| Blanks | | | 123 |
|--------|--|--|-----|

DEMOCRATIC BALLOT

331 votes cast

GOVERNOR

| | | | |
|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Michael S. Dukakis | 121 | 112 | 233 |
| Blanks | 52 | 46 | 98 |

LT. GOVERNOR

| | | | |
|----------------|-----|----|-----|
| Gerard D'Amico | 48 | 61 | 101 |
| Evelyn Murphy | 123 | 95 | 218 |
| Blanks | 2 | 2 | 4 |

ATTY. GENERAL

| | | | |
|------------------|-----|----|-----|
| James M. Shannan | 106 | 99 | 205 |
| Joann Shotwell | 60 | 51 | 111 |
| Blanks | 7 | 8 | 15 |

SECRETARY

| | | | |
|---------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Michael J. Connolly | 137 | 126 | 263 |
| Blanks | 36 | 32 | 68 |

TREASURER

| | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Robert O. Crane | 116 | 109 | 225 |
| Blanks | 57 | 49 | 106 |

AUDITOR

| | | | |
|-------------------|----|----|-----|
| A. Joseph DeNucci | 75 | 81 | 156 |
| Maura A. Hennigin | 59 | 46 | 105 |
| Charles C. Yancey | 18 | 16 | 34 |
| Blanks | 21 | 15 | 36 |

CONGRESSMAN

| | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Brian J. Donnelly | 140 | 137 | 277 |
| David J. Peterson | 20 | 15 | 35 |
| Blanks | 13 | 6 | 19 |

COUNCILLOR

| | | | |
|---------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Rosemary S. Tierney | 126 | 118 | 244 |
| Blanks | 47 | 40 | 87 |

SENATOR

| | | | |
|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Richard M. McGrath | 126 | 118 | 244 |
| Blanks | 47 | 40 | 87 |

REPRESENTATIVE

| | | | |
|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Michael C. Creedon | 138 | 120 | 258 |
| Blanks | 35 | 38 | 73 |

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

| | | | |
|---------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| William C. O'Malley | 140 | 128 | 268 |
| Blanks | 33 | 30 | 63 |

SHERIFF

| | | | |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Peter Y. Flynn | 147 | 125 | 272 |
| Blanks | 26 | 33 | 59 |

COUNTY COMMISSIONER

| | | | |
|--------------------|----|----|-----|
| Kevin R. Donovan | 69 | 86 | 155 |
| Timothy F. Cahill | 32 | 27 | 59 |
| Robert E. Clifford | 59 | 35 | 94 |
| Blanks | 13 | 10 | 23 |

A true copy,
Attest: Anne E. Brown
Town Clerk

State Election

November 4, 1986

State Election was held at the Spring Street School on Tuesday, November 4, 1986. The Warrant issued by the Selectmen was posted by the Constable, Raymond L. Silva, on November 4, 1986 according with the Provisions of the Laws.

Specimen ballots, cards of instructions and abstracts of the laws imposing penalties upon voters were posted as required by the laws of the Commonwealth.

The polls were opened at 7 A.M. The ballot boxes in both precincts were inspected and the registers set at 0000. A total of 2300 ballots were given to the Warden in Precinct I and 2500 ballots to the Warden in Precinct II and receipt given to the Town Clerk for same.

At the close of the polls at 8 P.M. the ballot box registers showed the following number of ballots cast:

| | |
|---------------|-------------|
| Precinct I | 1130 |
| Precinct II | <u>1151</u> |
| Total Ballots | 2281 |

The following workers were sworn in:

Wardens: Charles Johnson, John Sillars; Clerks: Edyth Baker, Warren Laughton; Checkers: Natalie Beaulieu, Mary Cruz, Joyce Nystrom. Helen Johnson, Shirley Almquist, Coralee Travers, Paul Turner, Barbara Cohen; Counters and observers: Elizabeth Turner, Joan McAndrews, Katherine Diebel, Helen Souza, Theresa Boardman, Janet Merritt, Alice Richardson, Ann Long, Mary Leonard, Lois Ketler, Elaine Laughton, Catherine Chaves, Eleanor Coelho, Lillian Dias, Kelly Giovanoni, Nancy Cansolazio, Marie Bagley, Sandra White, Helen Nelson, Joanne Stork, Debbie Podolsky; Total Tallies: Dorothy Williams, Claire Davock, William R. Brown, Jr., Joseph Souza.

Following results were given:

| | Prec. I | Prec. II | Total |
|------------------------------------|---------|----------|-------|
| GOVERNOR & LT. GOVERNOR | | | |
| Dukakis & Murphy | 516 | 573 | 1089 |
| Kariotis & Nikitas | 575 | 528 | 1103 |
| Scattered | | 3 | 3 |
| ATTORNEY GENERAL | | | |
| Edward F. Harrington | 655 | 612 | 1267 |
| James M. Shannon | 417 | 480 | 897 |
| Blanks | 58 | 59 | 117 |
| SECRETARY | | | |
| Michael Joseph Connolly | 561 | 618 | 1179 |
| Deborah R. Cochran | 512 | 460 | 972 |
| Blanks | 57 | 73 | 130 |

TREASURER

| | | | |
|------------------|-----|-----|------|
| Robert Q. Crane | 490 | 522 | 1012 |
| L. Joyce Hampers | 587 | 563 | 1150 |
| Blanks | 53 | 66 | 119 |

AUDITOR

| | | | |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|------|
| A. Joseph DeNucci | 488 | 520 | 1008 |
| William "Bill" Robinson | 546 | 533 | 1079 |
| Blanks | 96 | 98 | 194 |

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

| | | | |
|----------------|-----|-----|------|
| Brian Donnelly | 811 | 829 | 1640 |
| Blanks | 319 | 322 | 641 |

COUNCILLOR

| | | | |
|---------------------|-----|-----|------|
| Rosemary S. Tierney | 554 | 567 | 1121 |
| Loe Anne "Kim" | 437 | 429 | 866 |
| Blanks | 139 | 155 | 294 |

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT

| | | | |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|------|
| Edward P. Kirby | 770 | 732 | 1502 |
| Richrad Michael McGrath | 300 | 339 | 639 |
| Blanks | 60 | 80 | 140 |

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

| | | | |
|--------------------|-----|-----|------|
| Michael C. Creedon | 802 | 806 | 1608 |
| Blanks | 328 | 345 | 673 |

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

| | | | |
|---------------------|-----|-----|------|
| William C. O'Malley | 802 | 817 | 1619 |
| Scattered | | 1 | 1 |
| Blanks | 328 | 333 | 661 |

SHERIFF

| | | | |
|----------------|-----|-----|------|
| Peter Y. Flynn | 783 | 813 | 1561 |
| Blanks | 347 | 338 | 685 |

COUNTY COMMISSIONER

| | | | |
|------------------|-----|-----|------|
| Kevin R. Donovan | 756 | 778 | 1534 |
| Blanks | 374 | 373 | 747 |

PLYMOUTH COUNTY CHARTER COMMISSION

| | | | |
|----------------------|-----|-----|------|
| Charles A. Pickering | 204 | 216 | 420 |
| Scattered | 3 | 2 | 5 |
| Blanks | 923 | 933 | 1856 |

Question A: Charter Study Com.

| | | | |
|--------|-----|-----|------|
| Yes | 559 | 563 | 1122 |
| No | 321 | 345 | 666 |
| Blanks | 250 | 243 | 493 |

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|---|-----|-----|------|
| Question #1 — Regulating or Prohibiting Abortion | | | |
| Yes | 460 | 468 | 928 |
| No | 630 | 642 | 1272 |
| Blanks | 40 | 41 | 81 |
| Question #2 — Aid to Non-Public Schools | | | |
| Yes | 263 | 263 | 526 |
| No | 825 | 851 | 1676 |
| Blanks | 42 | 37 | 79 |
| Question #3 — Limiting Tax Rev. Increases | | | |
| Yes | 649 | 677 | 1326 |
| No | 413 | 404 | 817 |
| Blanks | 68 | 70 | 138 |
| Question #4 — Hazardous Materials | | | |
| Yes | 793 | 797 | 1590 |
| No | 253 | 252 | 505 |
| Blanks | 84 | 102 | 186 |
| Question #5 — Seat Belt | | | |
| Yes | 360 | 372 | 732 |
| No | 740 | 752 | 1492 |
| Blanks | 30 | 27 | 57 |
| Question #6 — Voter Reg. by Mail | | | |
| Yes | 322 | 323 | 645 |
| No | 728 | 745 | 1473 |
| Blanks | 80 | 83 | 163 |
| Question #7 — National Health Program | | | |
| Yes | 624 | 668 | 1292 |
| No | 434 | 402 | 936 |
| Blanks | 72 | 81 | 153 |
| Question #8 — National Acid Rain Control | | | |
| Yes | 828 | 860 | 1688 |
| No | 224 | 204 | 428 |
| Blanks | 78 | 87 | 165 |

A true copy,
Attest: Anna E. Brown
Town Clerk

Special Town Meeting December 9, 1986

A meeting of which the inhabitants of the Town of West Bridgewater qualified to vote in Election and Town Affairs was held at the Sr.-Jr. High School Auditorium on Tuesday, December 9, 1986. Meeting called to order by the Moderator, John C. Eldridge at 7:40 P.M.

The warrant and the Constables return was read by the Town Clerk, Anna E. Brown.

379 voters were present.

The meeting proceeded as follows:

Article 1. Moved: The Town vote to rezone land east of West Street and south of the intersection of Old West Street and the 1953 relocation of West Street from Industrial District to General Residential and Farming District by deleting that portion of the Zoning By-Law identified as Section 3, Subparagraph C. entitled "Industrial" which reads as follows:

"And that portion of land lying east of said Amvets Memorial Highway bounded on the north by Walnut Street, on the south by West Street, and on the east by a line parallel with said Amvets Memorial Highway, and located a distance of one thousand three hundred twenty (1320) feet easterly from said Amvets Memorial Highway; and that portion of land located on the southerly side of West Street and the northerly side of Crescent Street containing approximately 18.5 acres of land, bounded on the West by other industrially zoned land 750 feet more or less; on the South 200 feet, more or less, on the Southeast 950 feet, more or less, on the Southeast by Crescent Street 200 feet, more or less; on the East 1000 feet, more or less, on the North 200 feet, more or less; and that portion of land lying West of Manley Street and bounded on the South by West Street and on the North by Walnut Street and on the West by Coweesett Brook.

Motion seconded.

Motion was made and seconded that the main motion under Article 1 be amended to exclude land of Edward H. and Janice R. Springhetti and land of Clyde D. and Dolores M. Jopling shown as parcels 18 and 19 on Assessor Plan C7 by altering the substituted words to read as follows:

"and that portion of land lying east of said Amvets Memorial Highway bounded on the north by Walnut Street, on the South by West Street as relocated in 1953 and the southerly line of parcel 19 as shown on Assessor Plan C7 and on the east by a line parallel with said Amvets Memorial Highway and located a distance of one thousand three hundred twenty (1320) feet easterly from said Amvets Memorial Highway;

and that portion of land lying west of Manley Street and bounded on the south by West Street and on the North by Walnut Street and on the west by Coweesett Brook."

A Public Hearing was held on October 13, 1986 on this By-Law change. Planning Board recommended the change.

Upon a counted vote on the amendment of Yes 174 — No 166 the amendment was carried.

Article 2: Moved: The Town vote to adopt a Mobile Home Park Rent Control By-Law as authorized by Town Meeting vote Article 14, May 13, 1986 and enacted September 23, 1986, Chapter 393, Section 1 through 7 to read as follows:

MOBILE HOME PARK RENT CONTROL BY-LAW

Section 1. Title. This By-Law shall be known and may be cited as the “Mobile Home Park Rent Control By-Law.”

Section 2. Definitions. For the purposes of this By-Law, the following words shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the following meanings:

- a. “Board”, the Mobile Home Park Rent Control Board established herein.
- b. “Mobile Home”, a dwelling unit built on a chassis or frame and containing complete electrical, plumbing and sanitary facilities and designed to be installed on a temporary or permanent foundation for permanent living quarters.
- c. “Mobile Home Park”, a park licensed by the Board of Health pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 140, section 32B.
- d. “Rules and Regulations”, rules and regulations promulgated by the Board.

Section 3. Mobile Home Park Rent Control Board. There is hereby established a Mobile Home Park Rent Control Board consisting of five (5) members appointed by the Board of Selectmen for a term of three (3) years, provided, however that of the members first appointed to the Board two (2) shall be appointed for a term of one (1) year, two (2) shall be appointed for a term of two (2) years, and one (1) shall be appointed for a term of three (3) years. Thereafter, the Board of Selectmen shall appoint each successor to a term of three (3) years. Any vacancy occurring otherwise than by expiration of a term shall be filled by the Board of Selectmen for the unexpired term. The officers of the Board shall be elected annually by its members. No member of the Board shall be a mobile home park owner or a mobile home park tenant.

Section 4. Powers and Duties. The Board shall have the following powers and duties:

- a. The Board shall regulate rents and minimum standards for the use or occupancy of mobile home park accommodations and shall regulate the evictions of tenants therefrom.

- b. The Board shall have all powers necessary or convenient to perform its functions; may make rules and regulations; may require registration by owners of mobile home park accommodations; may require information from said owners, under penalty of perjury, relating to their mobile home park accommodations; may sue and be sued; may compel the attendance of persons and the production of papers and information; and may issue appropriate orders which shall be binding on both the owner and tenants of such mobile home park accommodations.

Section 5. Standards for Adjusting Rents.

- a. The Board, in regulating rents, may make such individual or general adjustments, either upward or downward, as may be necessary to assure that rents for mobile home park accommodations are established at levels which yield to owners a fair net operating income for such units.
- b. Fair net operating income shall be that income which will yield a return, after all reasonable operating expenses, on the fair market value of the property equal to the debt service rate generally available from institutional first mortgage lenders or such other rates of return as the Board, on the basis of evidence presented before it, deems more appropriate to the circumstances of the case.
- c. The fair market value of the property shall be the assessed valuation of the property or such other valuation as the Board, on the basis of evidence presented before it, deems more appropriate to the circumstances of the case.
- d. The Board may establish further standards and rules consistent with the foregoing.

Section 6. Summary Process. The Board may regulate the evictions of tenants at mobile home parks and shall issue orders which may be a defense to an action of summary process for possession.

Section 7. Judicial Review.

- a. The provisions of Chapter 30A of the Massachusetts General Laws shall be applicable to the Board as if the Board were an agency of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, including those provisions giving agencies the power to issue, vacate, modify and enforce subpoenas and those provisions relating to judicial review of an agency order.
- b. The Brockton Division of the District Court Department shall have original jurisdiction, concurrently with the Superior Court Department, of all petitions for review brought pursuant to Section 14 of Chapter 30A of the General Laws.
- c. The Superior Court Department shall have jurisdiction to enforce the provisions of this By-Law and may restrain violations thereof.

Section 8. Penalties. Violations of this By-Law or any order of the Board shall be punishable by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for any one (1) offense.

Section 9. Severability. If any provision of this By-Law shall be held invalid, the validity of the remainder of the By-Law shall not be affected thereby.

Upon vote motion carried.

Article 3. Moved: Pass this article without action. So Voted.

Article 4. Moved: The Town vote to modify action of the Annual Town Meeting March 8, 1965 Article 20 and reduce the membership in the Conservation Commission from seven voting members to five voting members.

Upon vote motion carried.

Article 5. Moved: The Town vote to approve and adopt a by-law establishing a review process on applications for demolition permits for certain building as recommended by the Historical Commission by the insertion of the following into Article XXV Building as Section 1A under Requirements for Permit of the By-Laws revised 1980 (Alternately identified as Section 1A of Article 3, Chapter 4 codified as revised 1983).

Sec. 1A. Permits for Demolition.

The Building Inspectors shall receive applications for demolition of buildings and structures, and, in accordance with applicable laws or regulations, issue permits for demolitions of building subject to the following restrictions:

- a. No permit for demolition of an existing building or structure which is listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, or which is located in an established Historic District, or which is fifty (50) or more years old, shall be granted unless it is first submitted to the Historical Commission for review and comment.
- b. Upon submission to the Historical Commission, the Commission within 30 days of such submission, shall issue a preliminary recommendation regarding the granting of a demolition permit. If the Commission issues a recommendation in favor of the granting of such a permit, a demolition permit shall be issued. If the Commission issues a recommendation in opposition to the granting of such a permit for demolition, no permit shall be issued until a more thorough investigation is undertaken and a final written recommendation is provided by the Commission. Such investigation and recommendation shall be completed within 180 days of the original submission to the Historical Commission.
- c. During said maximum one hundred-eighty (180) day period, the Historical Commission shall meet with the property owner and conduct such hearings or investigations as it may determine to be necessary in the formulation of its written recommendations regarding the granting of such permit. The Historical Commission shall consider the following criteria in its deliberations:

- (1) The building or structure is of such interest or quality that it would reasonably meet National State or local criteria for designation as an historic or architectural landmark.
 - (2) The building or structure is of such unusual or uncommon design, texture, or materials that it could not be reproduced or be reproduced only with great difficulty and expense.
 - (3) The building or structure is of such architectural or historic interest that its removal would be to the detriment of the public interest.
 - (4) Retention of the building or structure would help preserve and protect an historic place or area of historic interest in the town.
- d. The Historical Commission shall, within said one hundred-eighty (180) day period, issue a written recommendation to the Building Inspector, the Board of Selectmen, and to the property owner, regarding the granting of the permit for demolition. If no such recommendation is issued within said period, the Historical Commission shall be deemed to have recommended the granting of said permit.
- e. Nothing in this By-Law shall supersede the regulations of the State Building Code 780 CMR, Sections 123.0 and 124.0 regarding Unsafe Structures and Emergency Measures.

Upon vote motion defeated.

Article 6. Moved: The Town vote to approve and adopt a by-law authorizing the Board of Selectmen to establish regulations relative to the responsibility and liability for dog licensing, control and regulation by deleting Sections 1 and 2 of Article XII of the By-Laws revised 1980 (Alternately identified as Sections 1 and 2 of Article 1, Chapter 3 codified as revised 1983) and inserting in place thereof the following:

Section 1 — Dog Officer

The Board of Selectmen shall annually, following their organizational meeting, appoint a Dog Officer who shall hold office for one year, or until his successor shall take office. The salary or compensation of the Dog Officer shall be such as the Town may from time to time vote.

Section 2 — Regulation of Dogs

The Board of Selectmen are authorized to establish Regulations relating to the regulation of dogs and control thereof relating to the following but not limited to: dog licensing, establishing dog fee, disposition of fees, appointment of dog officers, kennel licensing and kennel regulations, procedures for the investigation of and reimbursement for damage caused by dogs, restraining of dogs and establishing penalties for a breach thereof.

Section 3 — Fees and Fines

All money received from licenses or recovered as fines under this by-law or regulations established thereunder shall be paid into the Treasury of the Town.

Upon vote motion carried.

Article 7. Moved: The sum of \$18,000.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to fund the position of full-time Building Inspector.

Upon vote motion carried.

Article 8. Moved: The sum of \$5,012.18 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to purchase railroad property located on the northeast side of Matfield Street offered by Penn Central Corporation.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting until Wednesday evening, December 10, 1986 at the High School Auditorium.

Motion carried.

ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING December 10, 1986

Meeting called to order by the Moderator John C. Eldridge at 7:30 P.M.

243 voters checked by the Board of Registrars.

The meeting proceeded as follows:

Article 9. Moved: The sum of \$600.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to purchase emergency radio communication equipment for the Civil Defense Office.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 10. Moved: Motion made to pass this article without action.

Upon vote motion defeated.

It was moved and seconded: The town vote to accept the alteration of a portion of West Center as laid out by the Board of Selectmen on November 18, 1986 and filed in the office of the Town Clerk on November 19, 1986 in accordance with the provisions of MGL Ch 82, Sec. 23 and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept by gift or grant a parcel of land shown thereon from Eastern Utility Associates or current owner thereof.

Upon a counted vote of Yes — 84, No — 188, Motion Lost.

Article 11. Moved: The vote adopted under Article 35 of the warrant for the 1986 Annual Town Meeting be amended by adding the words “or to purchase” after the word “Construct” in the phrase “To construct a new building.”

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 12. Moved: The sum of \$10,000.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to be expended by the Water Commissioners for the painting of the Town Water Tanks.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 13. Moved: The sum of \$39,000.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to effect building repairs and maintenance in school buildings.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 14. Moved: The Town vote to accept an Equal Educational Opportunity Grant for the Southeastern Regional School District for fiscal year 1988, under the provisions of G.L. Chapter 70A, S5, as inserted by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 15. Moved: The Town vote to accept a professional development grant for fiscal year 1988 for Southeastern Regional School District Teachers pursuant to Chapter 188, S13 of the Acts of 1985.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 16. Moved: The sum of \$2,000.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to enable the Historical Commission to do legal and Historical Research regarding matters of Historical interest to the Town.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 17. Moved: That the Town of West Bridgewater, Commonwealth of Massachusetts petition the General Assembly under M.G.L. 104G. Art. 11, Sec. 8 for the enactment of Special Legislation to enable the voters of said community to conduct recall election of any elected official.

Upon a counted vote of Yes — 135, No — 85, motion carried.

Article 18. Moved: The sum of \$387.75 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to pay the following old bill:

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| Medicompts, Inc. | \$387.75 |
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Upon vote motion carried.

Article 19. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Moved: To reconsider Article 3 — Sight Plan.

Upon counted vote of Yes — 78, No — 124 motion to reconsider defeated.

Motion to adjourn the meeting. So moved. Meeting adjourned at 9:20 P.M.

A true copy,
Attest: Anna E. Brown
Town Clerk

Births Recorded in 1986

January

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| 4 Michael Paul Wieliczki | Paul Wieliczki & Linda Marion Skinner |
| 21 James Vincent Mazzeo III | James Vincent Mazzeo, Jr. & Anna Maria DeScipio |
| 28 Mark Anthony Spadea | James Richard Spadea & Susan Marie Doiron |

February

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| 5 Heather Marie Brownell | Samuel Francais Brownell & Deborah Marie Gillis |
| 8 Rachel Elizabeth Andrade | Eduardo Antone Andrade & Mary Ellen McHugo |
| 11 Leah Elizabeth Regan | Russell Francis Regan & Barbara Ann MacNeil |
| 26 Rachel Lynn Patenaude | Edward Henry Patenaude, Jr. & Nancy Ruth Anderson |

March

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| 9 Matthew Paul Burke | Paul Joseph Burke & Susan Joyce Mannion |
| 22 Aaron Edward Parker | Kevin Adams Parker & Patricia Joanne Holcomb |
| 26 Stephanie Marie Card | Robert Allen Card & Diane Marie Contre |
| 27 Patrick Martin Mathews | Wayne Robert Mathews & Christine Jo Martin |

April

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| 2 Mollie Ann White | Stanley Selig White & Sandra Ann Butler |
| 6 Maureen Nolan Dunn | Thomas David Dunn, Jr. & Jeanne Quigley |
| 6 Kyle Vincent Higgins | Charles Kenneth Higgins & Kathleen Rose Pinnetti |
| 11 Jessica Lee Nevins | Roger Anthony Nevins & Kathleen Margaret Hanson |
| 16 Daniel Ross Peterson | Alan Ross Peterson & Deborah Ann Anderson |
| 20 Jennifer Louise Miller | Donald Leroy Miller, Jr. & Ellen Louise Guarino |
| 24 Jonathan Philip Kochanski | Henry Anthony Kochanski & Donna Marie Foresteire |

May

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| 2 Jonathan Jeffrey Irving | Brian Scott Irving & Deborah Lynne Green |
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| 12 | Kathryn Paula Componeschi | John Alfred Componeschi, Jr. & Lisa Claire McDonald |
| 17 | Ian George Watson | Donald Eugene Watson & Anita Tellervo Mann |
| 22 | Whitney C. Pensinger | Allen Scott Pensinger & Laura Anne Calitri |
| 26 | Nicole Renee Field | David Alan Field & Renee Anne Jewell |
| June | | |
| 4 | Laurie Ann Holland | Edward James Holland & Marcia Jean Williams |
| 12 | Jennifer Lynn Meech | Francis Joseph Meech & Candice DeMeule |
| 17 | Michael Anthony Kinahan | Anthony Joseph Kinahan & Michele Anne Dodero |
| 18 | Samuel Henry Anderson | Philip Howard Anderson & Lesley Ellen Hanson |
| June | | |
| 23 | Kaitlin Alexandra West | Daniel Gilbert West & Kathleen Anne Conley |
| 24 | Richard Leonard Walker, III | Richard Leonard Walker, Jr. & Ellen Louise Emerson |
| 30 | Eric Daniel Maher | Kevin David Maher & Pamela Ruth Willwerth |
| July | | |
| 1 | Juliana Monsini Foscaldi | Robert Michael Foscaldi & Mary Frances Monsini |
| 8 | Emily Place Anderson | Richard Place Anderson & Kimberly Louise Barter |
| 18 | Jessica Lavada Freeman | David Allen Freeman & Rita Marie Dion |
| 19 | Thomas Scott Buttrick | David William Buttrick & Karen Elizabeth Frueh |
| 23 | Matthew Jacob Brother | Matthew Harris Brother & Mary Georgakopoulos |
| August | | |
| 10 | Craig Thomas Fullerton | Brian Leslie Fullerton & Barbara Helen Krone |
| 13 | Kristin Marie Monton | John Richard Menton & Valerie Rose Messina |
| 21 | Chantelle Theresa Hashem | Raymond Hashem & Sheila May Taylor |
| 27 | Shaun Alden Shubert | Robert Noel Shubert & Debbie Grace Alden |
| 28 | Justin Joseph Fitzsimmons | Joseph William Fitzsimmons & Cynthia Lucielle Baker |

September

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| 1 | Adam Nicholas Conley | Neil Bradford Conley & Mary Beth Adamas |
| 4 | Michael John Olson | Guy Donald Olson & Susan Francise DelRoso |
| 4 | Jeanine Marie Connolly | Robert Edward Connolly & Janet Lorraine Whitman |
| 5 | Kevin Lee Olson, Jr. | Kevin Lee Olson & Karen Patricia Brophy |
| 11 | Daniel Joseph Emord | Joseph Louis Emord, Jr. & Christine Marie Lindgren |
| 11 | Valerie Sylvia Cabral | Arthur Silvia Cabral II & Denise Adrienne Braunhardt |
| 11 | James Francis Doyle | Brian Francis Doyle & Mary Ellen McCann |
| 23 | Jenna Marie Arruda | Joseph Andrew Arruda & Denise JoAnne Johnson |
| 23 | Robert Joseph Fitzsimmons | James Edward Fitzsimmons & Bonnie Sue Hulen |
| 26 | John Richard Medeiros | John Joseph Medeiros & Lisa Marie Ayers |

October

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| 1 | Kimberly Coralie Fenn | Michael Arthur Fenn & Barbara Poehlein Poehlein |
| 5 | Stephhen Jeffrey Kundicz | Jeffrey David Kundicz & Laurie Jean Catrambone |
| 8 | Matthew Robert Azersky | Clifford Robert Azersky & Deborah Ann Davenport |
| 11 | Elizabeth Ellen Geppner | Timothy Michael Geppner & Susan Ellen Iafrate |
| 12 | Olivia Mae Brassard | Theodore Brassard, III & Laura Jean Euell |
| 19 | Elizabeth Morgan Morison | Robert Edward Morison & Cheryl Ann Hamilton |
| 30 | James Michael Collins | James Patrick Collins & Paula Kirsch |
| **15 | Alexis Rose Czarnecki-Gale | Andrew Wieslaw Czarnecki-Gale & Jessica Moulton Gale |

November

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| 14 | Dennis William Rogers | Richard Dennis Rogers & Kakren Ann Calderara |
| 26 | Scott Gregory Trocki | Mark Thomas Trocki & Carol Ann Bartlett |

December

- 6 Stephanie Lynn Hallahan
- 11 Marissa Elizabeth Merritt
- 27 Bryan Spencer Carr

- Paul Vincent Hallahan
& Joanne Ruth Erickson
- George O'Brien Merritt, Jr.
& Monique Cecile LaFrance
- Jonathan Chandler Carr
& Tracy Leigh Anderson

Births — Late Reporting

December - 1985

- 20 Colleen Marie Simono

- John Charles Simono
& Donna Marie Lee Simono

August - 1985

- 30 Richard John Derocher

- Richard Amos Derocher
& Laura Rose Vlk

Deaths Recorded in 1986

January

- 10 John Aldon Pearson
- 16 Barbara A. Cote
- 18 Warren Archer Turner
- 23 Michael Robert Sheehan
- 26 Albert A. Steimetz
- 31 Edith Frances Anderson

- 71 Cardiac Arrest
- 42 Liver Disease
- 80 Left Carotid Artery Thrombosis
- 19 Seizure Disorder with Aspiration
- 54 Acute Myocardial Infarction
- 68 Metastatic Lung Carcinoma

February

- 4 Kyle Moon Wilbur
- 5 Thomas E. Caffelle
- 6 George Leslie Perry, Sr.
- 8 Catherine Gertrude Parr
- 10 Esther Axelina Sigren
- 11 Isadora Gokey

- 12 Days Respiratory Arrest
- 60 Metastatic Lung Carcinoma
- 70 Acute Myocardial Infarction
- 75 Cerebrovascular Accident
- 91 Aspiration Pneumonia
- 91 Hypertensive Cardiovascular

March

- 3 Myron Frederick Lawson
- 24 Edward B. Hill

- 82 Septicemia
- 69 Artery Disease — Sudden Death

April

- 6 Edward George Asack
- 7 Helen Stetson McLaughlin
- 9 John Francis Welch
- 15 Myrtle Lillian Mercurio
- 16 Bradford Scott Davock
- 18 Edwin T. Gibson
- 22 Marjorie Elizabeth McFarlan
- 25 Thomas W. Smith
- 29 Margaret Ann Wood

- 76 Coronary Artery Disease
- 89 Cerebral Hemorrhage
- 67 Metastatic Carcinoma
- 75 Cardiorespiratory Failure
- 16 Muscular Dystrophy
- 68 Congestive Heart Failure
- 87 Cerebral Contusion
- 74 Pneumonia
- 83 Cardiopulmonary Failure

May

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| 1 | Murton A. York | 53 | Carcinoma of Rectum |
| 3 | Debra M. Peabody | 22 | Internal Hemorrhage |
| 6 | Howard Lenehan, Jr. | 68 | Acute Myocardial Infarction |
| 17 | Hugh Kelley | 73 | Acute Myocardial Infarction |
| 21 | Edith Revere Dunbar | 77 | Acute Myocardial Infarction |
| 25 | Louise Bishop | 62 | Carcinoma of Stomach |
| 26 | Alice L. Gingras | 75 | Metastatic Carcinoma |
| 29 | Mattie Irene O'Bannon | 78 | Cardiopulmonary Arrest |
| 31 | Moo Wah Moy | 76 | Cardiac Arrest |

June

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| 9 | Timothy Scott Mather | 17 | Hypoxic Encephalopathy |
| 18 | Mary I. Carchidi | 85 | Septicemia |
| 26 | Russell Staff | 75 | Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease |
| 29 | Jessie Anderson | 71 | Acute Myocardial Infarction |
| 30 | Charleton Spenser Barney | 74 | Heart Disease |

July

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| 7 | Dora McMorrow | 77 | Sepsis |
| 12 | Harriet S. Eaton | 93 | Cerebral Vascular Accident |
| 13 | Anna Roy | 78 | Carcinoma of Lungs |
| 14 | Harriet Laura Wilson | 89 | Myocardial Infarction |
| 15 | Priscilla MacLean | 73 | Respiratory Failure |
| 16 | Annie L. Moroney | 91 | Cerebrovascular Accident |
| 18 | Elizabeth Sammons | 80 | Cardiac Arrest |
| 20 | Mabel Pearl Tokarczyk | 80 | Respiratory Insufficiency |
| 30 | Loretta Christine Cunningham | 82 | Cardiac Arrest |
| *15 | Angelo J. Savino | 67 | Myocardial Dysfunction |

August

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| 10 | Howard Anderson | 73 | Cardiorespiratory Arrest |
| 14 | Bertha M. Woodcock | 79 | Congestive Heart Failure |
| 17 | George Joseph O'Connell | 63 | Adenocarcinoma of Esophagus |
| 25 | Loretta Dumais | 79 | Cardiac Arrest |

September

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| 3 | Elsa Hollertz | 62 | Metastatic Bladder Carcinoma |
| 9 | Bernice Allen Treadway | 85 | Carcinoma of Pancreas |
| 23 | Hazel Vassar Skinner | 86 | Congestive Heart Failure |
| 26 | Agnes Barros | 73 | Pneumonia |
| 29 | Arvin I. Philoppart, Jr. | 74 | Heart Disease |

October

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| 9 | Ruth E. Peterson | 78 | Metastatic Colon Carcinoma |
| 11 | Exilda F. Baldwin | 85 | Cardiopulmonary Arrest |
| 12 | Catherine H. Morrissey | 73 | Metastatic Adenocarcinoma - Colon |
| 15 | Malcolm H. Haskins | 82 | Coronary Artery Disease |
| 18 | Joseph Francis Naughton | 57 | Acute Myocardial Infarction |

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| 20 Irene Helen Shearing | 65 Ventricular Septal Rupture |
| 23 Lena Myrtle Trites | 85 Sepsis Secondary/Urinary Tract |
| 29 Winnifred B. Soderholm | 92 Congestive Heart Failure |
| November | |
| 11 Walter Child | 70 Rectal Artery Exsanguination |
| 14 Eleanor Hampe | 69 Respiratory Arrest |
| 19 Bernardo J. Dambrosio | 58 Hypertensive Cardiomyopathy |
| 27 Daniel Timothy Crowley | 63 Metastatic Carcinoma |
| December | |
| 2 Mary M. Beech | 97 Respiratory Failure |
| 4 Stanley Bernard Spillane | 73 Pulmonary Fibrosis |
| 14 Rita Jeanette Welch | 68 Myocardial Infarction |
| 18 Charles F. Adams | 71 Congestive Cardiomyopathy |
| 18 Mark E. Austin | 23 Multiple Fractures/Internal Injury |
| 29 Ralph S. Carpenter | 29 Hypertensive Cardiovascular Disease |

Deaths — Late Returns

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| 20 Ethel Louise Sharpe | 93 Folic Acid Anemia |
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Marriages Recorded in 1986

January

- 9 Tiberio Sousa Estrela of W. Bridgewater and Maria N. Diniz of Taunton at Taunton.
- 18 John M. Pedro of Brockton and Carole A. MacPherson of Brockton at Brockton.
- 24 Ronald McFadden, Jr. of Brockton and Jan Marie Wurtzburger of Brockton at Abington.
- 31 Timothy J. Sullivan of Kingston and Suzanne M. Hallisey of Kingston at Bridgewater.

February

- 14 Henry L. Perry, Jr. of W. Bridgewater and Kathleen A. Brewer of W. Bridgewater at Brockton.
- 14 Richard Thomas of Westwood and Cathi Lynne White of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater.
- 23 Peter S. Cronshaw of Brockton and Karen A. Lemoing of S. Easton at S. Easton.

March

- 8 Thomas Bard of W. Bridgewater and Lecia A. Seablom of W. Bridgewater at Taunton.
- 17 Thomas Gernot Lauther of Las Vegas, Nevada and Madeline Marie Gueta of Jupiter, Florida at W. Bridgewater.
- 29 Bradford W. Moore of W. Bridgewater and Priscilla Rosenfield of W. Bridgewater at Brockton.

April

- 5 Jeffrey D. Kundicz of W. Bridgewater and Laurie Catrambone of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater.
- 6 Joseph F. Doherty II of Bridgewater and Mary Edna Lanzikos of Bridgewater at Halifax.
- 11 Brian S. Irving of E. Bridgewater and Deborah L. Green of W. Bridgewater at Middleboro.
- 18 Richard J. Gibbs of W. Bridgewater and Karen J. Crosby of W. Bridgewater at West Bridgewater.
- 19 Walter E. Holyoke, Jr. of W. Bridgewater and Deborah J. Macausland of Brockton at Abington.
- 19 Paul Melbourne Snow of W. Bridgewater and Ellen Morrison Reizovic of W. Bridgewater at Taunton.
- 26 Kenneth R. Burr, Sr. of Brockton and Deborah M. Noonan of Brockton at Brockton.

May

- 1 Max G. Seyfert of W. Bridgewater and Dorothy Taylor of W. Bridgewater at West Bridgewater.
- 10 Ronald J. Ishimoto of Lansing, Michigan and Pamela J. Higgins of Middleboro at W. Bridgewater.
- 10 Donald C. Prime of W. Bridgewater and Pamela J. Hali of W. Bridgewater at Whitman.
- 17 Jose M. Aurre of Lake Oswego, Oregon and Janet E. Sheedy of Lake Oswego, Oregon at W. Bridgewater.
- 18 James David Gibson of W. Bridgewater and Catherine Anne Savage of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater.
- 24 James T. Maras of W. Bridgewater and Janice E. Burke of Milton at Milton.
- 24 Alan D. D'Ambrosio of Bridgewater and Teriann Sanford of W. Bridgewater at Raynham.
- 24 Robert Edward Morison, Jr. of W. Bridgewater and Cheryl Ann Hamilton of W. Bridgewater at Pembroke.

June

- 13 Paul J. Ralston of Brockton and Patricia L. Patton of Brockton at East Bridgewater.
- 14 James Edward Britton of E. Bridgewater and Diane Oteri of W. Bridgewater at Easton.
- 14 Thomas C. Killgoar of W. Bridgewater and Jennifer L. Woodworth of W. Bridgewater at Stoughton.
- 14 Moises M. Rodriques of W. Bridgewater and Maria B. Lobo of Brockton at W. Bridgewater.
- 14 Raymond E. Sgaragli of W. Bridgewater and Patricia A. Quinn of Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater.
- 15 James Souza of W. Bridgewater and Patricia Crean of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater.

- 22 Victor K. Lee of Brockton and Doris Souris of Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater.
- 26 Charles R. Hopkins of W. Bridgewater and Linda Anderson of W. Bridgewater at Stoughton.
- 28 Daniel Kennelly of Cranston, R.I. and Brenda Mary Bissonnette of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater.
- 28 Gary F. White of W. Bridgewater and Joanne M. McCabe of W. Bridgewater at Brockton.

July

- 3 Jonathan Chandler Carr of W. Bridgewater and Tracy Leigh Anderson of W. Bridgewater at East Bridgewater.
- 3 William J. McGaffigan of Brockton and Maria Morey of Brockton at Brockton.
- 5 Ellory A. Haglund of W. Bridgewater and Nancy V. Murphy of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater.
- 5 Steven G. Trojano of Brockton and Sharon E. Pratt of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater.
- 5 Richard S. Valle of W. Bridgewater and Janelle Trojano of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater.
- 12 John R. Guy of W. Bridgewater and Sherrylee Knox of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater.
- 20 Richard Joseph Coughlin of Buzzards Bay and Tami Ann Valla of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater.
- 25 Louis M. Valle, Jr. of W. Bridgewater and Teresa A. Gaucher of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater.
- 27 William Edward Nazzaro of W. Bridgewater and Alice Marie Reilly of W. Bridgewater at Boston.

August

- 2 Francis J. Bourget of Quincy and Shirley Carr of Quincy at W. Bridgewater.
- 3 Donald DeChellis of Mansfield and Sandra A. Reed of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater.
- 9 Thomas Mannion of W. Roxbury and Elaine Fontinha of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater.
- 10 William W. Rice of Brockton and Ethel DeYoung of Brockton at East Bridgewater.
- 23 Frank A. Harris of Raynham and Bonnie L. Barber of W. Bridgewater at Brockton.
- 24 Paul Barakauskas of W. Bridgewater and Donna Chipoli of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater.

September

- 20 Charles Jay Pedersen of Randolph and Paulette Marie Barros at W. Bridgewater.
- 27 Cary Major of W. Bridgewater and Rosemary Bradford of W. Bridgewater at Bridgewater.

- 27 Donald W. Young of W. Bridgewater and Evelyn S. Kemp of W. Bridgewater at Whitman.

October

- 11 Richard O. Beals of Bridgewater and Donna Deiulio of Brockton at Brockton.
11 Robert E. Dunphy of Brockton and Debra Ann Trumbull of Brockton at Whitman.
17 Walter Douglas Morehouse of W. Bridgewater and Marie E. Taylor of W. Bridgewater at East Bridgewater.
25 Stephen M. Murphy of Manchester, N.H. and Cheryl Riley of Manchester, N.H. at W. Bridgewater.
25 Richard F. Holbrook of Hingham and Cathryn M. Hughes of W. Bridgewater at Bridgewater.

November

- 12 Patsy Bertocci of Brockton and Coralee Ann Travers of W. Bridgewater at Brockton.
23 George P. Bandis of Brockton and Debora J. Simpson of Brockton at Brockton.
29 Edward Ernest Crum of Taunton and Donna Marie Childers of Taunton at West Bridgewater.
29 William J. Pratti of Bridgewater and Debbie A. Lepore of Raynham at East Bridgewater.

December

- 26 Jeffrey K. Ames of W. Bridgewater and Angela Wai Kuen Ho Hong Kong, Hong Kong at West Bridgewater.
27 Gary S. Keith of W. Bridgewater and Candice S. Christensen of Woburn at Scituate.

Certificate of Marriage — Late Reporting 1986

December

Scott Thomas Free of N. Weymouth and Alicia Marguerite Armstrong at West Bridgewater.

REPORT OF THE AUDITOR

We have examined the financial statements of the various funds and account groups of the Town of West Bridgewater for the year ended June 30, 1986, listed in the following table of contents. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

Pension costs are provided on a pay as you go basis, as discussed in Note 12 rather than on an actuarial basis as required by generally accepted accounting principles. The cost relative to the actuarial method has not been determined at this time.

A record of fixed assets is not maintained by the Town, accordingly a statement of fixed assets, as required by generally accepted accounting principles, is not included in the financial statements.

In our opinion, subject to the foregoing exceptions, the aforementioned financial statements present fairly the financial position of the various funds and account groups of the Town of West Bridgewater at June 30, 1986, and the results of operations of such funds and the changes in financial position for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

The accompanying supplemental schedules and related information presented on pages 18 to 28 are not necessary for a fair presentation of the financial statements, but are presented as additional analytical data. This information has been subjected to the tests and other auditing above and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby respectfully submit my annual report for the year 1986.

There were 85 Plumbing Applications filed for plumbing permits. There were 161 plumbing inspections made in the following types of buildings:

| | |
|--------------------------------|----|
| New Dwellings | 19 |
| Old Dwellings | 32 |
| Commercial Buildings | 14 |
| Public Buildings | 3 |

There were 54 water heaters installed.

The Massachusetts State Plumbing Code is used as a basis for all plumbing installations.

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph F. Donovan
Inspector of Plumbing

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit the annual report of the Building Inspector for the year 1986.

| Building Permits Issued | Estimated Costs | Fees Paid |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| 55 NEW BUILDINGS | \$6,538,163.00 | \$30,309.00 |
| 11 GARAGES | 172,500.00 | 228.00 |
| 99 ADDITIONS | 2,092,546.00 | 4,305.00 |
| 22 SWIMMING POOLS | 126,237.00 | 620.00 |
| 21 REPAIRS | 122,300.00 | 514.00 |
| 6 DEMOLITION | 2,500.00 | 110.00 |
| 6 STOVES | 1,125.00 | 60.00 |
| 32 SIGNS | 24,065.00 | 1,072.00 |
| 252 TOTALS | \$9,079,436.00 | \$37,218.00 |

Respectfully submitted,
Dennis Machardo
Building Inspector

REPORT OF THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The West Bridgewater Recreation Committee & Staff members of the 1986 Summer Recreation Program wish to report on the success of the past summer season. Under the guidance and assistance of Director, Pat Kelley and Assistant Director, Doreen Langer and three program aides, we were able to once again run a varied and interesting program.

All West Bridgewater children in grades 1 thru 8 were invited to attend the daily activities, from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, offered at the school site, because the roof at the Howard School was being redone, we held our activities at the Rose L. MacDonald School. It worked out fairly well, but the layout of the fields and play areas, with the amount of children and our small staff made it less than ideal. We will be glad to go back to using the Howard School site.

The Summer Recreation Program runs for 6 weeks, starting on the first Monday after the 4th of July.

A diversified program for all age groups and skill levels, including supervised playground activities, quiet games, contests and Arts and Crafts. Once a week we go on a Field Trip and this activity seems to be a highlight of the week for all.

The Recreation Committee and its Staff would like to express our gratitude and appreciation to the townspeople, the Police and School Departments, Town Hall and the children of West Bridgewater for their continued support and cooperation. This past year we had 273 children enrolled in the program.

Respectfully Submitted
Mary Lou Jenness
Sandra Kominsky
Marie Connolly
Diane Jollymore
Joseph Gareri

REPORT OF THE EAST BRIDGEWATER — WEST BRIDGEWATER REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT PLANNING BOARD

To the Citizens of West Bridgewater:

The efforts of the East Bridgewater - West Bridgewater Regional School District Planning Board have been focused this past year on working closely with our consultant, Dr. Thomas F. Henstock. The funding for this activity has been provided by the Executive Office of Communities and Development, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Michael S. Dukakis, Governor, through a study contract with Northeastern University. Northeastern University's investigators bring regional school management experience, school community and school district organization research, and research methodology expertise to the study.

The primary problem of the study is whether regionalization of the two systems will result in improved educational services to the youth of West Bridgewater and an increased efficiency of operation.

As of this time, the consultant's studies have been scheduled to be completed by April 1987. The Board plans to hold a series of public hearings in April to receive comments and questions from townspeople regarding the regionalization of the two school systems. The Board plans to devote the month of May to reaching a decision on regionalization. Following the Board's vote on whether or not to recommend regionalization, the members will prepare a final report. If the Board does decide to recommend regionalization to the voters, our next task would be to develop a regional agreement, which would specify the composition and election of a Regional School Committee, the location and leasing of school facilities, apportionment and payment of costs, authorization of debt, budget, requirements for withdrawal, and other regulations that govern a regionalized system.

A special town meeting would then be scheduled in October 1987 to vote to accept or reject regionalization.

The Board feels the linchpin of the entire regionalization study will be the model curriculum study which is to be completed in March 1987. We will then be able to see if significant academic benefits could be derived from a regionalized system.

We would like to thank Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Ronald Gerhart, for his significant effort in the capacity of a resource person and for the overall cooperation extended to the Board as we work toward the completion of this significant and worthwhile study.

John L. Powers, *Chairman, E. Bridgewater*
William P. Bystrom, *Secretary-Treasurer, W. Bridgewater*
Donald A. Fisher, *W. Bridgewater*
Ann Packard, *E. Bridgewater*
Roberta Ann McCarthy, *E. Bridgewater*
Paul Curnutte, *W. Bridgewater*

REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of West Bridgewater:

I herewith submit this Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 1986, based primarily on records transferred to me by the former Sealer of Weights and Measures, Warren E. Turner.

During the calendar year 1986, a total of one hundred seventy-five (175) measuring devices were sealed, nineteen (19) devices were adjusted, no devices were marked not sealed (as such they cannot be used legally in trade), and no devices were condemned for failure to meet prescribed standards.

The following is a summary of measuring devices inspected and tested:

Scales and Balances

| | |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Over 10,000 pounds | None |
| 5,000 to 10,000 pounds | 1 Sealed |
| 100 to 5,000 pounds | 6 Sealed |
| Under 100 pounds | 38 Sealed |

Weights

| | |
|------------------|-----------|
| Apothecary | 43 Sealed |
|------------------|-----------|

Liquid Measuring Meters

| | | |
|--------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Gasoline | 86 Sealed | 19 Adjusted |
| Diesel Fuel | None | |
| Vehicle Tank | 1 Sealed | |

The following fees were assessed for the above inspections:

| | |
|----------------------|------------|
| Sealing Fees | \$1,017.20 |
| Adjusting Fees | 90.00 |
| Total Fees | \$1,107.20 |

Of the total 1986 fees, \$1,083.20 was collected prior to the end of the calendar year. Fees to the amount of \$24.00 were still uncollected as of December 31, 1986.

I wish to express my appreciation to the Board of Selectmen and to the personnel in the various Town Offices (and, in particular the Town Clerk) for their cooperation in assisting me in carrying out my new duties.

Respectfully submitted,
Herbert A. Wolfer
Sealer of Weights and Measures

REPORT OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

We the Commissioners and Superintendent of the Water Department of the Town of West Bridgewater, respectfully submit our annual report for the year ending December 31, 1986.

During the year a total of 273,763,580 gallons of water was pumped, which is 8,497,800 gallons less than the previous year. The greatest amount for any one day was July 16, with 2,392,490 gallons. The largest month was July with 26,063,240 gallons. The largest week was July 20 with 6,775,940 gallons pumped.

A total of 19 new services were installed for a total of 2,298 services.

Water usage was down this year due to the very wet summer we experienced. During 1986 progress was made in the area of aquifer protection. The water department now controls 187.58 acres in the Cyr Street area and a total water shed area of 203.22 acres.

A pump test was run on a new well site and it proved to yield 350 gallons per minute. This well we plan to develop this coming year and put in service in late 1987.

Growth to our system has come mostly from the industrial and commercial users. Out of 19 new services installed this past year eight were of large industrial or commercial type.

In the area of maintenance, the small water tank was drained then sandblasted inside and out and painted.

All hydrants were checked prior to cold weather and hydrant stakes were put in place as usual.

Station maintenance was carried out daily, after every severe storm, and all power failures. A total of 503 hours of overtime was spent in emergency leaks and maintenance.

During the year 156 analysis of our drinking water were made by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Engineering for bacterial elements. All reports were most satisfactory, showing it to be of highly acceptable quality and free from bacterial elements. Analysis of sodium concentration in our water averaged 17 milligrams per litre for 1986, allowing us to meet the state regulation of a maximum of 20 milligrams per litre. We also ran individual tests on all three wells to check for cancer causing pollutants in our water and none were detected in any of the wells.

We wish to thank all our customers for expressing their faith in us, our personnel, and all town departments and personnel who so diligently did their part in making our water department a success. We sincerely hope, as we enter

another year of service, we will be privileged to continue to serve you efficiently and to the best of our ability.

Respectfully submitted,
 John W. Noyes, *Chairman*
 Donald Davock
 Donald G. Asack, *Clerk*,
 Richard E. Krugger, *Superintendent*

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR 12 MONTH FISCAL YEAR SINCE 1985-1986 TAX RATE WAS FIXED

| | |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| | \$ 7,578,343. |
| Local Expenditures | 200,757. |
| State and County Charges | 135,610. |
| Overlay | <u>65,297.</u> |

GROSS AMOUNT TO BE RAISED \$ 7,980,007.

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Total Estimated Receipts from State | \$ 2,264,638. |
| Prior Year Overestimates - State and County | 1,142. |
| Local Estimated Receipts | 1,186,797. |
| Free Cash | 420,115. |
| Other Available Funds | 130,183. |
| Revenue Sharing | 210,000. |
| Free Cash to Reduce Tax Rate | <u>25,000.</u> |

TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS \$ 4,237,875.

NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION
 ON PROPERTY \$ 3,742,132.

| | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| Assessed Value of Real Estate: | |
| Land and Buildings | \$168,572,770. |
| Personal Property | <u>6,293,200.</u> |
| Total | \$174,865,970. |

| | | |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|
| TAX RATE PER THOUSAND | | \$21.40 |
| School | 53.69% | 11.49 |
| General | 46.31% | 9.91 |
| | 100.00% | \$21.40 |

EXEMPT PROPERTY

| | |
|---|-------------------|
| Old Bridgewater Historical Society | \$ 105,200. |
| Church Societies | 3,188,400. |
| Berwick Boys' Foundation | 172,500. |
| H. Meredith Berry Trust | 115,400. |
| Town Hall Offices and Forestry Garage | 290,400. |
| Highway Garage | 262,000. |
| Fire and Police Station | 431,500. |
| Water Department | 1,196,300. |
| Park Department | 84,900. |
| Cemeteries - Town owned | 66,500. |
| Cemeteries - Privately owned | 197,400. |
| Transfer Station | 110,500. |
| Conservation Commission 261.36 Acres | 363,350. |
| All Other Town Owned land 111.00 Acres | 124,500. |
| School Department and Library | 9,931,100. |
| West Bridgewater Housing Authority | 1,151,600. |
| Comm. of Mass. Land-Div. Fish. & Wildlife 1,271.19 Acres | 1,289,600. |
| Comm. of Mass. Land 236.96 Acres | 324,000. |
| Samoset Rod & Gun Club Inv. | 108,800. |
| BAARC Facilities Inc. | 60,400. |
| Memorial Page Land | 11,900. |
| Total Exempt Property | \$19,586,250. |

The following abatements and exemptions were granted for Fiscal year 1987:

| Clause | Number | Amount |
|---------------------------|---------|-----------------|
| 17C Surviving Spouse etc. | 22 | \$ 3,850.00 |
| 18 Financial Hardship | 2 | 1,524.75 |
| 22 Veterans | 67 | 11,725.00 |
| 22A Veterans | 4 | 1,400.00 |
| 22E Veterans | 1 | 525.00 |
| 22 Veterans - Paraplegics | 1 | 2,610.80 |
| 41B Elderly | 44 | 22,000.00 |
| 41A Deferred Tax | 4 | 2,548.50 |
| 37A Blind | 2 | 1,000.00 |
| Overvaluation - R.E. | 22 | 1,798.58 |
| Overvaluation - P.P. | 6 | 609.90 |
| Totals | 175 | \$49,592.53 |

| | | | |
|---|----------------|-----------|--------------|
| Chapter 61 Forest Management | 55.37 Acres | 3 Parcels | |
| Credit in Assessed Valuation | | | \$95,200.00 |
| Total Loss in Taxes | | | 2,037.28 |
| Chapter 61A Agricultural & Horticultural | 2,055.90 Acres | | |
| | 139 Parcels | | |
| Credit in Assessed Valuation | | | 3,470,930.00 |
| Total Loss in Taxes | | | 74,277.91 |
| Chapter 61B Recreational Land | 51.63 Acres | 1 Parcel | |
| Credit in Assessed Valuation | | | 104,100.00 |
| Total Loss in Taxes | | | 2,227.74 |

The Appraisal Consultants of New England are due to start the complete revaluation of all properties, real and personal, in the town during the month of February 1987. The program is due to be completed by late summer.

Again this year, the building permits reflect few new residential starts. Most of the permits are for additions, repairs, pools etc.

Sales reports show that residential and land sales are still bringing top prices and as a result, valuations placed on property in our last valuation program are far out of line, being much lower than market value.

We do have some major industrial and commercial building starts, however, we will not realize the full assessment value until fiscal year 1989 due to the small percentage of work completed by January 1987.

Our Industrial area continues to attract attention, and the efforts of the Industrial Development Commission in promoting the area have been appreciated by the Board of Assessors.

Board members and assistant assessor Mrs. Bowman continue to attend educational classes and meetings sponsored by the Massachusetts Department of Revenue and County assessors' meetings in order to keep up to date with changes that are constantly taking place in the assessing field.

We would like to express our thanks to the townspeople and the various town departments for their support and cooperation.

Irving W. Puffer, *Chairman*
 Gary A. Boyd, *Clerk*
 DeSales J. Heath

REPORT OF THE OFFICE OF VETERAN'S SERVICES

Forty veterans and dependents were assisted by Veteran Services this year. Services rendered were financial, medical, filing for V.A. pensions, V.A. service records and V.A. Income Questionnaires.

A veteran in need of a homemaker service after being discharged from the West Roxbury V.A. in Boston was provided this service by our office. Homemaker rates are paid according to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts rate setting commission.

Refunds in the amount of \$3,093.73 were received from Aetna Insurance Company for a medical drug reimbursement and from a Supplemental Security Income Reimbursement.

Several veterans were assisted by this office by referral of Social Workers from V.A. hospitals. These veterans were in need of financial aid or homemaker services.

A quarterly computer match was sent to our main office in Boston to check the accuracy of wage information given by veterans receiving benefits from this office. This match is made to review the accuracy of information provided by recipients of veterans benefits and to take appropriate action against persons in receipt of Veteran Service benefits to which they are not entitled.

Respectfully submitted
Armen Amerigian
Veteran's Agent

REPORT OF THE HANDICAP COMMISSION

Notice has been made that there is handicap access to all public buildings and most of the private buildings in the community including restaurants. There are also ramps for wheelchair access. At the public library there is access to all audio visual equipment with selection of large print books for those who need them for the hearing and sight impaired. The library has an interaction program with Bridgewater State College for any materials that are not available at the local library. If any handicap person in town is in need of assistance please contact the Handicap Commission.

Russell Bump, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my annual report as Chief of the Fire Department of the Town of West Bridgewater for the year 1986.

Personnel

The personnel of the fire department consists of the following: One (1) permanent Chief, One (1) permanent Deputy Chief, Three (3) permanent Lieutenants, Four (4) permanent Firefighters, One (1) Call Captain, and Nineteen (19) call firefighters. All of the eight (8) permanent firefighters, as well as three (3) of the call firefighters, are certified as Emergency Medical Technicians, both by the National Association of EMT's and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Apparatus

Engine #1, 1978 Hendrickson/Farrar 1250 GPM pumper, Engine #2, 1986 Emergency One/GMC 1000 GPM pumper placed in service on Oct. 28, 1986, Combination #1, 1968 Pierre-Thibault/Dodge (4 Wheel Drive) 500 GPM Auxiliary pump, Combination #2, 1967 Ford (4 Wheel Drive), Ladder #1, 1953 Mack '85 Aerial Ladder, Rescue #1, 1963 Ford Step Van, Ambulance #1, 1984 Horton Chevrolet, Chief's Car, 1984 Ford Sedan (Former Police Cruiser).

Statistical Report

During the year 1986 the Fire Department responded to a total of One thousand two hundred and fifty-two calls (1252), an increase of One hundred and seventeen (117) calls over last year. Of this figure, six hundred and eighty-five (685) were Ambulance calls.

Permits Issued/Inspections made:

| | |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Smoke detectors | 162 |
| Burning/Brush | 622 |
| Wood Stoves | 50 |
| Cookout | 200 |
| Gunpowder | 20 |
| Rocket | 12 |
| Oil Burner | 150 |

Drills and Training

Monthly drills area conducted for all personnel of the Fire Department in an effort to keep personnel familiar with the equipment and its uses and functions. All members of the department are recertified annually in Cardio Pulmonary resuscitation as required by state law.

Inspections

As mandated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in 1982, all properties sold are required to be inspected for a sufficient number of operating smoke detectors. In line with this, many banks are requiring smoke detector and wood stove inspections for remortgage and home improvement loans.

Due to the lack of daytime, on duty, personnel and the above mentioned mandated inspections, we are unable to provide regular inspections of Industrial, commercial, and mercantile establishments on a regular basis. This condition tends to seriously hamper our ability to be familiar with the rapid changes taking place in our community.

Also, as mandated by the Commonwealth, inspections were made and decals applied to seventy-five (75) trucks engaged in the transportation of Flammable fluids, classes A & B.

Fire Prevention

Regular inspections were made at all schools as well as supervised fire drills. Fire Prevention lectures were given at the elementary level during fire prevention week in October. All other buildings or locations where fire hazards were observed or where complaints were received were inspected and corrective action was taken.

“Red Ball” and “Invalid” stickers, as provided to the department by the West Bridgewater Firefighters Association, were placed on all homes in the town where requested. These stickers, which locate children and/or invalids, are an invaluable tool in helping firefighters to find these individuals in the event that a problem should occur. Any town resident wishing to have a sticker placed on his/her home may do so by contacting the department at 586-4137. The sticker will be provided free of charge.

Right to Know Law

As I mentioned in my annual report of 1985, I have been appointed as municipal coordinator and Deputy Chief Leonard T. Hunt has been appointed as Acting municipal coordinator to oversee the implementation and coordination of this new law.

I am happy to report that during the year 1986 there were no requests for investigations.

Requests/Recommendations

This year I am requesting that the Fire Alarm panel at the station, which is twenty plus (20+) years old be replaced. With the present and future growth in our community, this antiquated equipment cannot be expected to handle the additional load that this increase will accomplish.

I am also requesting funds to make repairs to Combination #1 which was purchased in 1968. Priorities on this piece of apparatus are a leaking water tank and a leaking pump.

I have, this year, included in my budget, the cost of additional personnel in the department. As I have stated in the past, with the additional responsibilities and the yearly increase in incidents that the fire department responds to, we must increase the number of personnel that is available to respond to these incidents.

In closing, I would like to thank the Officers and men of the fire department for their continued cooperation and support, and all the individuals who comprise the Boards, Committees, and Departments of the town for the assistance given to the fire department during the past year.

Respectfully Submitted,
Charles A. Dyke, *Chief*

REPORT OF THE CABLE TELEVISION COMMITTEE

The Cable Television Committee held 11 meetings in 1986. Each meeting was attended by a representative of Continental Cablevision of Southeastern Massachusetts, Inc.

This year the local television studio opened at Spring Street School. This professionally equipped studio is available for use by the townspeople. Classes on the use of studio equipment are available, free of charge. Equipment in the studio can be used to tape, or televise live, Town Meetings and various committee meetings, as well as other town activities.

December 1986 marked the end of the second year of operation of cable TV in West Bridgewater, and the end of the rate freeze contracted in the license. Free cable hook-ups to various municipal buildings have been completed or will be completed in the spring of 1987. Cable television is available for all public and private dwellings that choose to purchase this service. While there have been random outages and disputes, system down time and complaints have been minimal.

The Cable Television Committee suffers from the same affliction many of the town's other committees suffer from. Members have faithfully served, and when their terms have expired, they have found no one to replace them. We encourage you to support the various committees in town by your participation. Only with adequate membership can we perform the duties we are charged with.

Richard Bagley, *Chairman*
Peter Turner, *Clerk*
Herbert Billett, *Member*
Samuel Feinberg, *Vice Chairman*
James Grandfield, *Member*

REPORT OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCING AUTHORITY

During 1986 all local banks deferred from participating in Industrial Revenue Bond Issues until the Tax Reform Act of 1986 was passed by Congress.

The passage of the Act did not clarify to the satisfaction of the banks the tax exempt status of municipal revenue.

The pending of the legislation allowed the Massachusetts Industrial Finance Agency to form a guaranteed loan program which is a pooling of funds made available by a foreign bank, Rabobank-Nederland.

In December of 1986 twelve small businesses participated in the pool and tax exempt bonds were issued totalling \$21.4 million.

Although none of the participants located in our industrial park, the program will continue in 1987 and we are prepared to assist local business interests to join the MIFA Bond Pool and locate in our industrial area.

Respectfully submitted by
Madelyn T. Burke
Chairperson
Industrial Development Financing Authority

REPORT OF THE ARTS LOTTTERY COUNCIL

The Arts Lottery Council consists of no less than 5 and no more than 25 appointed by the selectmen under the provisions of G. L. Chapter 10, Section 35C to administer funds allocated to the Town from the Massachusetts Arts Lottery. Applications for grants from the council are available at the Town Clerks office and at the Library. Twice annually the local Council receives funds from the State Council and every six months the Council acts on applications submitted to it.

The Council received distributions from the Massachusetts Arts Lottery Council in 1986 in the amount of \$2,917.00. Some of the projects funded by the Council in 1986 were: theater workshop, children theater, musical & dramatic story telling. The Council also provided assistance to the Old Bridgewater Historical Society in reprinting books and documents of local historical interest.

Membership on the Council currently consists of: Donald Adams, Cheryl A. Adams, Paul R. Brown, Elizabeth Muckenthaler, William McCann and Elizabeth McMahan.

The Council is in need of additional members, and anyone interested should contact the Selectmen, the appointing authority.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul R. Brown, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE FORESTRY AND PARKS DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The election of a new Tree Warden has meant a change in management, yet the policies have remained the same. As your Tree Warden, I will strive to give the people of this town, the same quality, reliable workmanship, skill and dedication as did the former Tree Warden, Thomas MacQuinn, who gave thirty-four years of fine service to this town. It is my ambition to give the residents of West Bridgewater, public shade trees, greens at intersections and recreational areas which they can be proud of.

Our main concern in the summer months, as in the past, has been the maintenance of 6 town owned cemeteries, War Memorial Park, 16 greens, the town hall grounds and Legion Memorial Baseball Field. All of which were fertilized in the spring and mowed and trimmed on a weekly basis during the season.

We responded to numerous calls from residents that were pestered by poison ivy and/or wasps and hornets. We urge anyone that has these problems in the summer months to call this department.

A tree planting program in the spring and fall has always been a service of the department. Last fall there were a total of 27 trees planted in various parts of town. Most all by request from property owners. These young trees are mulched, fertilized and trimmed.

We have continued to eliminate town owned trees that were diseased or a danger to pedestrians or traffic. The major causes for disease or damage is mainly pollution, salt, construction and accidents. These problems are inevitable but with a good planting program we are able to replace a large portion of dying or damaged trees.

Mosquito ariel spraying, funded by the Board of Health and supervised by this department was accomplished during two of the summer months for the adult mosquito. We hope to increase spraying this year to fight this annoying pest that seems to plague West Bridgewater and surrounding towns as well.

This past winter was the scene of much snow. This departments two platform trucks and drivers cooperated with the Highway Department in the removal of snow and ice. Vehicle maintenance was accomplished by the men of this department with the help of an experienced and knowledgeable member of the Water Department, Len Graf.

In closing, I would like to give special thanks to the employees of this department for their efforts and faithfulness in carrying out their duties as foresters. This always makes for a smooth running ship that in the end accomplishes quality in the work area.

Also, my thanks to the residents of West Bridgewater for their patience and

cooperation. Public relations plays a very important role in any municipal service.

Finally, I would like to extend my appreciation to the men and women of all departments and offices of this town. You have all made my first year as Tree Warden a rewarding and welcome one.

Respectfully submitted
Philip D. MacQuinn
Tree Warden

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

We, the members of the West Bridgewater Historical Commission, are pleased to present the following report for the year of 1986.

The Historical Commission continued work on the inventory of one hundred and fifty historical sites and structures in town. Fourteen additional forms were filed with the Massachusetts Historical Commission in Boston bringing the total to 54 of 150 forms completed. Upon completion of this inventory the town will be eligible for state historic funds. Residents interested in helping the commission should contact any member.

The Old Colonial Day festivities held at River and Forest Streets in conjunction with the Old Bridgewater Historical Society herb sale and open house met with great success. The commission is busy making plans for this years Old Colonial Day and is pleased to announce the grant of funds from the Arts Lottery Council, which will be used to fund a strolling minstrel. The numerous other activities and craftsmen present last year will return again this year.

Environmental Archaeology Group was awarded a contract to identify and locate the lost burial ground on Howard Street. At the time of this report, E.A.G.s work is in its final stages. The Historical Commission hopes that with the release of E.A.G.s findings the final resting place of our town's founders will be documented for future generations.

The members of this commission would like to express their appreciation to Nancy Bell for her dedicated and enthusiastic service as a member of the commission. Her presence on the commission will be missed.

Respectfully submitted,
Lawrence P. Conant, *Chairman*
Lucia Foye Marcotte
Susan Cross
Karen Hofman
Philip Anderson

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

The County Cooperative Extension Service is located on High Street, Hanson (on the grounds of the County Hospital). Cooperative Extension is a partnership of the United States Department of Agriculture, the land-grant college — the University of Massachusetts, Amherst and county government.

County Agents are specialists in: Agriculture, Community Resource Development, Home Economics, 4-H and Nutrition Education and deliver programs in these areas to local residents.

Staff consists of a director, two regional agricultural specialists, a community resource development specialist, two home economists, three 4-H agents and a split position, 4-H/home horticulture. In addition, Cooperative Extension administers a federally funded nutrition education program, The Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (E.F.N.E.P.), located in Brockton. This is staffed by a nutrition specialist and program assistants (6 full-time equivalents) who deliver the educational program to families with limited resources.

Cooperative Extension serves the public through educational conferences, workshops, phone call assistance, field visits and timely newsletters.

In our 4-H program last year 16,649 youth were enrolled, of that number 725 were enrolled in club programs, and 15,924 were exposed to 4-H through short-term projects. 821 volunteers assisted in conducting the county 4-H program.

Newsletters, free for the asking, are *Garden Clippings*, a monthly horticulture fact-filled publication; *So-Sew*, informational "how-to" letter for the serious home sewing; *Creative Living*, provides current information in the areas of clothing and textiles, human development, housing and home management. Newsletters for commercial agricultural enterprises are available (Small Fruit, Vegetables, Tree Fruits, Small Farms and Livestock).

Your County Cooperative Extension office can be of service to you by calling 293-3541 or 447-5946, Monday through Friday, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm.

Trustees of Cooperative Extension, Plymouth County

Joseph Webby, *Brockton*

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Dorothy Dwyer, *Norwell*

George Mullen, *Hanson*

Bronia Wieliczki, *Abington*

Richard Wyman, *Bridgewater*

Mary M. McBrady, *Director*

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS

During the year 1986 the Board of Appeals experienced their busiest year to date. Thirty-two (32) public hearings were held and they dealt with the following subjects:

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| Variance requests dealing with setbacks | 17 |
| Variance requests dealing with zoning by-law (sub-division of land, etc.) | 10 |
| Special permit requests | 1 |
| Mobile home requests | 3 |
| Miscellaneous requests | 1 |

The following is the breakdown of the decisions made:

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| Variance or permits granted | 18 |
| Variances denied | 9 |
| Variances withdrawn | 4 |
| Board had no jurisdiction to hold a hearing | 1 |

Respectfully submitted,
William E. Turner, Jr., *Chairman*
Harry Pierson, Jr., *Vice-Chairman*
Henry Podolsky, *Member*
George Merritt, *Member*
Harry Ketler, *Member*
James Wolfsberg, *Alt. Member, Clerk*
Charles Johnson, *Alt. Member*

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of West Bridgewater:

The following is the report of the dog officer for 1986:

| | |
|---|-----|
| Dogs Impounded | 141 |
| Dogs Claimed by Owners | 56 |
| Dogs Unclaimed by owners or Stray | 85 |

Approximately 5-8 calls received per day.

I am pleased to announce that most dogs not claimed, found new, permanent, responsible parties to adopt them through my own adoption program as well as assistance from the Mass. S.P.C.A. in Brockton. At this time I wish to thank all the Citizens of West Bridgewater who participated in and contributed blankets, water buckets, bowls, biscuits, money for the spay program and their time and effort in the Foster Home Project. This year more dogs were made available for adoption because of the spay program. Anyone needing low cost spaying for a dog or cat may call me. A special thanks to Miss Ronnie Cobb and Mark Reed of

American Kennels for their help in the adoption program and Miss Cobb for her grooming services. My sincere thanks to the West Bridgewater Police Department for their assistance throughout the year and to the Citizens of West Bridgewater for their support. The Plymouth County Animal Control Officers Association accomplished much this year. Meetings this year included Attorney Robert Troy on Civil Liability, Dr. Amy Marter, Tufts University, "The Pit Bull Controversy", Public Education and Relations, press releases, computer programs and first aid. Seminars were set up and conducted by the Animal Control Officers Association of Massachusetts. Remember: Roaming Pets-Cause Regrets.

Julie Vivace, *Dog Officer*
Canine Control Department
West Bridgewater

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

To the residents of West Bridgewater, we, the members of the Planning Board submit this annual report on our activities for the year 1986.

The Planning Board reaffirmed its organization of Officers in April with Howard Anderson-Chairman; Grete Bohannon-Vice Chairman; and D. Christopher Cross-Clerk.

Twenty-three (23) meetings were held throughout the year including five (5) Public Hearings.

Of the Public Hearings the one involving Cluster Zoning was probably the most controversial. Among the major issues were the questions surrounding water availability, over taxing the school system and the number of legal bedrooms per unit.

The most significant Public Hearing on subdivisions was the 7 lot Industrial Subdivision on the westerly side of Manley Street between West Center Street and West Street.

We have finally developed and recently put into effect our new Rules and Regulations concerning the development of subdivisions. It is felt that now the developers and their Engineers have a clearer understanding of terms and definitions resulting in less ambiguity while we have a more orderly and systematic format with which to work from.

In November of this year the Planning Board regretfully accepted the resignation of D. Christopher Cross. His background in Law and his willingness to give so much of his time for the Planning Board will be missed not only by the Planning Board but by the Town of West Bridgewater.

Respectfully submitted,
Howard A. Anderson, *Chairman*
Grete Bohannon, *Vice-Chairman*
Wilfred G. Howard
Stephen Wood

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby respectfully submit my annual report for the year 1986:

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|--|-----|
| Dairy Herds | 4 |
| Cows age two and over | 219 |
| Heifers one to two | 64 |
| Calves under one year | 60 |
| Bulls and steers | 4 |
| Beef Herds | 2 |
| Cows age two and over | 1 |
| Calves under one year | 2 |
| Number of Goats | 29 |
| Goat Herds | 6 |
| Number of Sheep | 19 |
| Sheep Herds | 2 |
| Number of Swine | 202 |
| Swine Herds | 2 |
| Number of Horses | 96 |
| Number of Ponies | 11 |
| Number of dog bites reported to Animal Inspector for quarantine | 10 |

Respectfully Submitted,
Leo E. Moroni

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF WIRES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

| | |
|---------------------------------|----|
| New Construction | 31 |
| Services and changes | 86 |
| Additions | 39 |
| Construction Services | 21 |
| Add Outlets | 23 |
| Finals | 26 |
| Water Heaters | 9 |
| Oil Burners | 20 |
| Meters | 15 |
| Pools | 16 |

The latest edition of the Massachusetts State Electrical Code was used as a basis for all inspections with no special rules applied.

Respectfully submitted,
Albert M. Greiner
Inspector of Wires

REPORT OF SELF HELP, INCORPORATED

Self Help, Inc., is greater Brockton's and Attleboro's anti-poverty agency dedicated to improving the quality of life of limited income individuals and families, and making all segments of the community responsive to the needs of the limited income, disadvantaged and minority needs.

During the program year ending September 30, 1986, Self Help Inc., received a total funding of \$12.6M and provided 457,000 direct services to the area's limited income individuals and families.

230 residents received 1,800 direct services totaling \$83,700 during the program year.

The total funding of \$12,577,600 million does not tell the real value of human services delivered to the area as a whole. Self Help's funding enabled us to mobilize an additional \$828,340 of other community resources such as Commonwealth Service Corps and local cities and towns contributions as well as volunteers. The gross volume of Self Help, Inc., during the past program year was approximately \$13.5 million.

Self Help currently employs 270 individuals, many of whom are limited income and minorities.

We feel that the program year 10/1/85 to 9/30/86 was a successful one for Self Help, Inc., and very helpful to our limited income population. We thank the area's Mayors, Boards of Selectmen, town volunteers and your representative, Donald Shurtleff to our Board of Directors for helping to make our program year a success.

Respectfull submitted
Ulysses G. Shelton, Jr.
Executive Director

REPORT OF THE POLICE STATION BUILDING COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of West Bridgewater

This is the final report of your Police Station Building Committee. When this report was written the new addition was 85% complete and by the time of the Annual Town Meeting the new facility will be serving the needs of the Town. The new station should prove adequate into the next Century.

The Committee wishes to express thanks and appreciation to all Town Boards without whose cooperation our job would have been much more difficult. West Bridgewater can be very proud of its new Police Station.

William Johnson, *Chairman*
Charles H. Johnson
George V. Hollertz, Jr.
Leonard P. Bucci
Robert L. Smith
David Meade

REPORT OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The changing economic environment in our town was extremely busy during 1986. Several major industrial and commercial projects were started with completion targeted for 1987 and early 1988.

The philosophy of the Industrial Development Committee is to continue to seek development that shall generate a solid tax base to the community.

It is the concern of the Committee that our community does not develop a reputation of being anti-growth or anti-development. Corporate development has been on a slow even scale and every effort to continue this growth shall be made.

The Committee also is addressing the current industrial and commercial firms in our town by working with these firms on any problems they may have. A commitment to the current taxpayers to retain and expand in West Bridgewater has been made by the Committee.

The Industrial Development Committee should like to take this opportunity to thank other town boards and the Board of Selectmen for their continued support and help during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald L. MacIver, *Chairman*

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT SEARCH COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Administrative Assistant Search Committee held an organizational meeting in June, 1986, and has met several times during the past year.

Our work was delayed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts grant process, however, final approval of a \$24,000.00 grant for a town Administrative Assistant was received in late February, 1987.

We have contracted with the Massachusetts Municipal Association as a hiring consultant, and are currently screening applicants. We hope to recommend a slate of candidates to the Board of Selectmen in May, 1987, and have the Administrative Assistant on the job by July 1, 1987.

Respectfully submitted,
Craig A. Morris, *Chairman*
Judith A. Kinney, *Clerk*
John F. Gallagher
Charles H. Johnson
Richard E. Krugger, Sr.

TREASURER'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Treasurer respectfully submits her annual report for Fiscal Year 1986.

The Town of West Bridgewater was fortunate and did not have to borrow this fiscal year. During this same period interest earned from investments was \$78,665.00.

I wish to thank the Townspeople and the various municipal departments for their support.

| Trust Funds Cemeteries | Bal. as of 6/30/85 | Interest earned | Funds expended | Bal. as of 6/30/86 |
|--|-------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Pleasant Hill | \$ 4,943.44 | \$ 250.84 | \$ 502.13 | \$ 4,692.15 |
| Pine Hill | 3,372.96 | 180.94 | 178.27 | 3,375.63 |
| Town Cemeteries | 8,178.41 | 494.67 | | 8,673.08 |
| | <u>16,494.81</u> | <u>\$ 926.45</u> | <u>\$ 680.40</u> | <u>\$ 16,740.86</u> |
| Library Trust Funds | | | | |
| #1 | \$16,024.30 | \$ 848.61 | \$1,349.54 | \$ 15,523.37 |
| #2 | 7,082.49 | 380.92 | | 7,463.41 |
| #3 | 14,737.33 | 792.57 | | 15,529.92 |
| | <u>\$37,844.12</u> | <u>\$2,022.12</u> | <u>\$1,349.54</u> | <u>\$ 38,516.70</u> |
| Curtis Library Fund | 8,512.39 | 498.61 | 500.00 | 8,511.00 |
| | <u>\$46,356.51</u> | <u>\$2,520.73</u> | <u>\$1,849.54</u> | <u>\$ 47,027.70</u> |
| W.J. & A.C. Howard Scholarship Fund | 5,722.33 | 294.39 | 250.00 | 5,767.72 |
| Drury Bell Fund | | | | |
| General Fund | 471.67 | 23.23 | | 494.90 |
| Scholarship | 159.45 | 8.93 | | 168.38 |
| Stabilization Fund | 75,048.92 | 6,015.83 | | 81,064.75 |
| | | Fiscal 1986 deposit | | <u>50,000.00</u> |
| | | | | <u>\$131,064.75</u> |

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth L. Zamaitis
Treasurer-Collector

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

I hereby submit the Tax Collector's Report for 1986:

| | Outstanding 12/31/85 | Committed | Abated | Refunded | Collected | Tax Title | Balance 12/31/86 |
|------------------------|-------------------------|------------|------------------|----------|------------|-----------|---------------------|
| 1982 Motor Vehicles | 4,405.92 | 13.75 | 4,324.32 | | 95.35 | | — |
| 1983 Motor Vehicles | 6,726.26 | | 6,702.07 | | 24.19 | | — |
| 1984 Motor Vehicles | 12,989.13 | | 30.00 | | 1,539.41 | | 11,419.72 |
| 1985 Motor Vehicles | 51,760.11 | 24,970.93 | 3,634.76 | 1,627.48 | 51,933.30 | | 22,790.46 |
| 1986 Motor Vehicles | | 389,289.00 | 20,444.10 | 3,411.42 | 338,321.69 | | 33,934.63 |
| 1983 Personal Property | 3,684.99 | | 3,262.69 | | 422.30 | | — |
| 1984 Personal Property | 2,195.97 | | 1,570.17 | | 625.80 | | — |
| 1985 Personal Property | 1,942.16 | | 21.00 | | 476.70 | | 1,444.46 |
| 1986 Personal Property | 67,092.03 | | 11,430.80 | 5,543.20 | 58,506.63 | | 2,697.80 |
| 1987 Personal Property | | 134,674.48 | 609.90 | 10.70 | 65,452.97 | | 68,622.31 |
| 1983 Farm Excise | 88.50 | | 12.00 | | 76.50 | | — |
| 1984 Farm Excise | 13.50 | | 13.50 | | | | — |
| 1985 Farm Excise | 124.00 | | 13.50 | | 110.50 | | — |
| 1986 Farm Excise | | 1,327.34 | | | 1,327.34 | | — |
| Water | 28,705.81 | 297,934.69 | 38,605.88 to W/L | 2,500.00 | 263,216.56 | | 21,050.45 |
| | | | 6,297.61 | | | | |
| Water A | (11,225.00) | | | | 36,143.00* | | (44,868.00) |
| 1983 Water Lien | 126.60 | | | | 70.00 | 56.60 | — |
| 1984 Water Lien | 505.80 | | | | 361.60 | 144.20 | — |
| 1985 Water Lien | 2,090.48 | | | | 1,176.50 | 71.20 | 842.78 |
| 1986 Water Lien | 8,364.50 | | 143.00 | | 5,996.90 | | 2,224.60 |
| 1987 Water Lien | | 38,605.88 | | | | | |
| | | 5,490.00 | 15.00 | 184.00 | 33,242.48 | | 11,022.40 |

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|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------|-----------------|--------------|
| 1981 Real Estate | 584.00 | | | | 584.00 |
| 1982 Real Estate | 490.56 | | | | 490.56 |
| 1983 Real Estate | 12,137.38 | | | 9,776.11 | 3,214.77 |
| 1984 Real Estate | 46,417.10 | 2,234.40 | | 30,705.90 | 9,296.80 |
| 1985 Real Estate | 88,532.07 | 5,279.40 | | 3,420.90 | 40,371.31 |
| 1986 Real Estate | 1,772,227.63 | 7,464.47 | | 8,042.70 | 1,690,616.12 |
| 1987 Real Estate | | 3,607,457.30 | | 325.52 | 1,705,695.44 |
| 1983 Boats | 235.00 | 235.00 | | | |
| 1985 Boats | 239.00 | | | 63.00 | 176.00 |
| 1986 Boats | | | 714.00 | 453.33 | 103.00 |
| Forest Products | | | 179.20 | 179.20 | |
| Roll Back Tax | | | 1,947.62 | 1,947.62 | |
| Trailer Park Excise | | | | 24,174.00 | |
| Collected after abatement | | | | 559.36 | |
| Interest Collected | | | | 32,496.40 | |
| Charges Collected | | | | <u>3,795.00</u> | |
| | | | | 4,363,809.51 | |

*Included in water collections

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As your Highway Superintendent, I am pleased to submit my 1986 annual report of the accomplishments of the Highway Department.

Resurfacing Type I-1:

During the past year, the men of the Highway Department blacktopped Columbus Avenue, boxwidening 2' to bring the road out to a width of 22', a total distance of 1,137' in length. Aldrich Road was also resurfaced for a distance of 1,527' and drainage was installed to help alleviate the water problem along this stretch of road. Charles Street was resurfaced for 1,262' x 20' in width. All of the above roads had many days of preparation before resurfacing could be accomplished. Crescent Street was finished in early spring with drainage repairs made for a mile of roadway. This past summer, the Highway Department chipsealed eight streets: Beacon Street was double coated 1,402' x 21'; Commonwealth Avenue, 901' x 21'; Hillside Avenue, 595' x 20'; Ellis Avenue, 679' x 22'; Glenmere Street, 360' x 19'; Vital Avenue, 922' x 20'; Spring Street, 1,451' x 18'; and Keenan Street, 1,324' x 21'. Seven streets were infraredded and include a portion of Matfield Street, South Street, River Street, Spring Street, Copeland Street, North Elm Street, and East Center Street.

New Construction:

Roads necessitating preparation and resurfacing under State Aid monies are a portion of Matfield Street with drainage; East Street, from Matfield Street to the Bridgewater town line; the West Bridgewater portion of Thayer Avenue with drainage. Portions of East Center Street also need reconstruction.

Drainage:

Planned drainage projects are to raise all manholes along North Elm Street and to clean some problem drainage trenches. One thousand feet of drainage along Matfield Street is also planned.

Snow:

The hired contractors and men of the Highway Department have done a super commendable job of keeping the roads safe and passable by sanding and plowing during this past winter. We appreciate your letters of praise and would like to thank the townspeople for their cooperation in keeping their vehicles off the roadway to facilitate plowing.

Maintenance:

All roadsides have been mowed two to three times during the summer months. The roads and sidewalks have been swept throughout the town. The highwaymen have continued their regular maintenance program of patching pot

holes and water trenches; spraying curbs and basins with weed killer; maintaining and repairing the fleet and equipment; cleaning catch basins, culverts and waterways; picking up dead animals; repairing the berms and seeding of grass; painting of guard rails and bridges; and striping traffic lines. Damaged and vandalized signs were repaired and cleaned. The Highway Department spends a great deal of time and energy picking trash along the roadways of West Bridgewater. I should like to ask the cooperation of the townspeople to keep their trash covered when transporting it to the Transfer Station as quite often the men are called in to "police the area" of loose debris, sometimes necessitating overtime on the weekends. We would appreciate your help.

Transfer Station:

As I have stated last year, the cost of operating the Transfer Station has escalated and will continue to do so at alarmingly high increases. Short of burning our trash in our backyards, I see no alternative but to pay the fees the landfill owners impose on us. SEMASS is two years away and only then can we look forward to what we hope will be a realistic budget figure for the Transfer Station operation.

We are having problems disposing of some metals, large appliances, tires, batteries and furniture. Because the Town pays per container, not by weight, it is imperative that trash is compacted. Therefore, furniture **must** be broken into 4' lengths (the innersprings of sleep sofas **must** be removed and disposed of in the metal area). We have no means of disposal and can no longer accept large appliances such as washers; dryers; refrigerators; dishwashers; hot water, gas, or oil tanks. Arrangements for disposal of the above items will become your responsibility. Two alternatives are possible: (1) large appliances can be taken directly to Brockton Iron & Steel Co., 45 Freight Street, Brockton, OR (2) arrangements can be made for removal by the company delivering new appliances, many offering this service at no charge to their customers. We are sorry for this inconvenience to you.

Thank you for your cooperation with separating your cardboard and newspapers. It does help. About 50% of the townspeople are doing this. Our goal is to increase this percentage. Please continue your efforts as we would like to fill one container a month with paper waste.

The sticker program is going well. We feel that we have nearly 90% of townspeople with stickers.

The five men of the Highway Department and the landfill attendant have done an excellent job and make this department a successful service to the townspeople of West Bridgewater. I should like to thank them all for their fine work, the Board of Selectmen and all Town Departments and individuals for their cooperation and support.

Respectfully submitted
Donald E. Newman
Highway Superintendent

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

To the Trustees of the Public Library:

The year 1986 has been a very eventful one for librarians as well as the communities they serve. As a group we have had to become familiar with the power that computers and automation can give to libraries and at the same time maintain present services. It has been an educational year for the library staff as well. Each person on staff has had to examine procedures previously used and looked at these in a critical light to improve efficiency for greater patron service.

On July 1, 1986 the library again increased its operating hours to the public. The library is now open 44 hours a week including three nights until 8 p.m. giving greater access to the library for all users. The Children's Librarian, Denise Robbins, has been conducting Goodnight Storytime programs for our young patrons and their parents on Wednesday evenings. She has also been offering Saturday craft programs on a bi-weekly basis to all children in grades 1 through 6. This year's summer reading program, "Hooked on Books" ran for six weeks and had 65 participants. A variety of craft and live programs were conducted twice weekly to give young readers an opportunity to participate in some summer reading activities.

To improve the speed of getting new materials to our patrons, the library now orders its books through a computerized system, the size of a calculator. This Bataphone can store up to 450 titles at one time and then transmit this order by phone line to our book source company. The books ordered arrive within a week along with a list and order cards that give us the status of every book and its expected arrival time. This process has eliminated the time involved in typing up order cards by hand. This extra time is used by Marilyn Raleigh to process the books at a faster rate and thus get them to our patrons within a reasonable time.

This year the library also received a grant from the state of Massachusetts for \$4,650.00 for the purpose of automating the Interlibrary Loan process. In the past, books that were not in the West Bridgewater collection were ordered from another library. This was done by typing a written request. The book could arrive in from 2 days to a month depending on its location. With the help of the IBM PC/XT computer, purchased with the grant these requests can be made by telecommunicating with the library that has the materials and having it sent the same day. Although not in operation as yet the computer is in place and the process is expected to be implemented in early 1987.

In order to improve staff use of time each person was assigned specific tasks and given the opportunity to improve the process they used to complete that task. As mentioned before Marilyn Raleigh, is now responsible for all the technical aspects of the library collection and the Interlibrary Loan process, Connie Keating has assumed the responsibility of bookkeeping for all library accounts, June Metcalf, a new employee this year, has charge of all overdue library materials and their return, Denise Robbins, the new Children's Librarian, is responsible for all children's programming and desk coverage. The

two pages this year, John Petrie and Alice Johnson, are responsible for maintaining the library collection, processing of new library materials, and bar coding our library collection for computer input.

The library is attempting to institute many new services to its patrons and we hope to continue this trend in the future. We accept the challenges the community gives us and with the possibility of a new library building in the near future look forward to providing more services to our many supporters.

Thanks to all who have made me welcome in West Bridgewater and I hope with your support to provide consistent service that everyone in the community can enjoy.

Respectfully submitted,
Elaine De Marco
Library Director

REPORT OF THE "COMPUTER STUDY COMMITTEE"

On Dec. 29, 1986, the Board of Selectmen appointed a "Computer Study Committee" as charged by action of the Special Town Meeting in the fall. This committee is to investigate the computer needs of the Town Hall and to make a recommendation to the Town as to a particular course of action.

The committee held its first meeting on January 7, 1987 and has been meeting on a "twice monthly" basis since then. The first phase of the study is complete, with a survey of the wants and needs of the town departments compiling a "wish list" for the town.

The second phase of the study is to survey surrounding towns that have undergone the computerization process for potential problems and advice. This procedure has been started and will continue thru the spring months.

The third phase, also begun, is a survey of hardware and software available for municipalities. This will include minicomputers, microcomputers, and available service vendors. Each computer and software vendor will be given an opportunity to present its material to the committee for evaluation.

The target date of the committee is to deliver a recommendation to the town at a fall town meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Warren E. Turner, *Chairman*
Marion Loughman, *Vice Chairman*
Shelley Liebowitz, *Secretary*
Charles Pye, *Member*
Frederick Baker, Jr., *Member*

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Two major concerns have occupied the Trustees during 1986: the search for a Library Director and the building program. Elaine DeMarco was installed as Director, July 1st, and has proved a knowledgeable and conscientious administrator. Two new Trustees have joined the board — Dave Cohen by election, and Paul Galvin by appointment following the resignation of Laurel Swanson in September.

By far the most ramified of our concerns has been the building program. Early in the year, after loss of access to the Spring Street School, the Trustees began negotiations with the School Committee for a suitable piece of Town land and were awarded the northwest corner of the Howard School land. This was confirmed by vote at the Annual Town Meeting. A small parcel at the southeast corner of the allotment was awarded later by the selectmen to square off the boundaries of the property.

In June the Trustees set up a Designer Selection Committee, comprising Paul Galvin, Chairman, Christopher Cross, Secretary, James Howell, Cheryl Kennedy, Joseph Linehan, Richard Lutz, Robert McMahon, and Craig Morris; the Trustees and the Library Director. Out of 13 proposals and five interviews, Amsler Hagenah and MacLean were chosen to draw up preliminary plans. Individual Trustees and the Director visited several libraries in Plymouth County to observe practical designs and the work of the competing architects.

The plan adopted provides a one-story building, 11,575 g.s.f. in size, meeting all the requirements of the State Board of Library Commissioners for space, handicapped access, and children's services through a twenty-year period. The design specifies a traditional red brick exterior and pitched rooves, with an interior arranged and equipped for contemporary library services. It has been viewed with enthusiasm by Town officials and library patrons. In the face of current industrial, business, and residential growth in West Bridgewater, this plan seems well justified, if not mandatory.

The Friends of the Library have given warm support to the project and are assisting in making the townspeople aware of the necessity of a new facility. This will be the first independent building the West Bridgewater Public Library has ever had, while the other Bridgewaters have enjoyed discreet facilities for generations. This new library, with its enlarged information and reference sections, children's room, and genealogy room, will be a very considerable addition to the cultural life of West Bridgewater.

The Trustees wish to thank the officials of the Town and the Friends of the

Library for their support and urge the townspeople to support the Library bond issue at Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
James Grandfield, *Chairman*
Helen Millet, *Secretary*
David Cohen
Kathleen Fenstermaker
Paul Galvin
Wayne Legge

REPORT OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Esther Drive Housing Project has just completed its fourteenth year of occupancy and there is still no additional housing in sight.

1986 saw some major changes. After 13 years of dedicated service, Dorothy Holmgren retired as Executive Director in October. The Board wishes her happiness in her retirement and thanks her for her years of commitment and dedication to the Housing Authority and the residents of Esther Drive.

The other major change for the West Bridgewater Housing Authority is the state mandated tenant selection regulations. We are required by law to give minority preference until we have met our quota of minority tenants (13%). Advertisements are being placed in several minority newspapers as well as in Boston and other newspapers with a large city circulation.

The West Bridgewater Housing Board wishes to thank the West Bridgewater Police, Fire and other town departments who have been most helpful and responsive to the needs of the tenants of Esther Drive.

The Tenant Association of Esther Drive remains active here as well as at the J.O.Y. center. A lovely Christmas/Retirement Dinner was held in December in honor of Dorothy Holmgren. A money tree was presented to her from all of her friends here at Esther Drive.

The Bridgewater Visiting Nurse Association conducts a blood pressure clinic on the fourth Thursday of each month at the hall at Esther Drive. This is available to all senior residents of the town.

Thanks go out to the Council on Aging for providing transportation to lunches, doctor, store, etc. It is much appreciated by the senior citizens of the town.

Respectfully submitted,
Marion Leonard, *Executive Director*
Albert M. Greiner, *Chairman*
Marion H. Bartell, *Vice-Chairman*
State Member
Carl R. Bystrom, *Treasurer*
Richard C. Williams, *Asst. Treasurer*
Robert L. Kellie

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of West Bridgewater:

In compliance with the General laws of Massachusetts we submit the report of 1986.

The Board of Health held the following clinics: Rabies, Flu, Helicopter spraying for mosquito control, by the Bay Colony Mosquito Control. Although there was no Equine Encephalitis reported in the Town of West Bridgewater we felt it was in the Town's best interest to spray.

The annual Town election of 1986 saw the re-election of Marie Bagley. Ronald Broman was Chairman, Marie Bagley was Clerk, and Edward Cruz a Board Member.

During the year the Board took in the following fees as revenue:

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Piggery License | \$ 35.00 |
| Food Service Establishments | 500.00 |
| Milk & Cream | 220.00 |
| Installers Permits | 525.00 |
| Disposal Works Permits | 2,870.00 |
| Retail Food | 70.00 |
| Septic Handlers | 140.00 |
| Perc Test Observations | 2,595.00 |
| Dog Clinics | 155.00 |
| Mobile Food Servers | 60.00 |
| Bakery Permits | 25.00 |
| Massage Therapy | 200.00 |
| Massage Therapist | 20.00 |
| General Fees | 260.00 |
| Motel License | 25.00 |
| Mobile Home Parks | 20.00 |
| Total | <u>\$7,550.00</u> |

We wish to thank them for all their assistance with the programs throughout the year. The Visiting Nurse is in the Board of Health Office for blood pressure checks and sugar level testing on the first and third Tuesday of each month, from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Their report can be found in a separate section, of this Town Report.

We have also been working with other various State and local agencies and their agents.

We would like to thank all other Town Departments for their cooperation throughout the year.

The Board is pleased to announce that the General Health of the Town is good. This past year the Board voted to raise the percolation fees to meet the raising costs of observing these tests.

The Board was summoned to produce records for two court cases. The Board members attended quarterly meetings of the S.E.A.B.O.H., which are held at various locations. The Board acquires much helpful information at these meetings pertaining to anything from Sub-surface disposal, to food service regulations, to local laws pertaining to the Boards of Health in the South East Regions of Massachusetts.

The Board of Health meets on the first and third Wednesday of each month, in the Board of Health Office at the Town Hall, at 7:30. The office is open weekdays, Tuesday through Thursday 8:30 to 2:30 p.m., for applications or any information you may need.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ronald Broman, *Chairman*
Marie Bagley, *Clerk*
Edward Cruz, *Member*

REPORT OF THE TOWN COUNSEL

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The following is a report of the nature and the status of the litigation in which the Town of West Bridgewater is involved as of the date of this report;

Francis M. Silvia, et al

V.

**Building Inspector of Town of West Bridgewater and
Town of West Bridgewater**

This action was initially brought by the plaintiffs in the Plymouth County Superior Court in August of 1982 against the Building Inspector of the Town and the Town itself to enjoin the Town from allegedly interfering with the plaintiffs use of their land and to obtain damages for such alleged interference. The Town filed a counterclaim against the plaintiffs. In April 1984, the plaintiffs amended their complaint to add the following persons as additional defendants: Doris Haight, Michael Manugian, and Charles H. Johnson, former Selectmen, and Eldon F. Moreira and Charles A. Pickering, current Selectmen, Ervin G. Lothrop, Chief of Police, and J. Joseph Lydon, former Town Counsel. The amended complaint seeks substantial damages against said defendants for alleged violations of the plaintiffs civil rights. This matter is still pending in Court.

Lawrence W. Wardwell, et al

V.

Zoning Board of Appeals, et al

This is an appeal by the plaintiffs of a decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals granting a variance to the owners of the Canoe Club for the construction of a gazebo on its property. This case has not as yet come to trial.

Plymouth Street Auto Parts, Inc.

V.

Board of Selectmen

This is a complaint brought in the Plymouth County Superior Court by the plaintiff appealing the decision of the Board of Selectmen which revoked its Class 2 license to engage in that business of buying and selling second hand motor vehicles. This case is still pending in the Court.

Board of Health of Town of West Bridgewater

V.

**Thomas Donahue, Ralph J. Civitarese and Richard J. Civitarese,
Trustees of American Manufacture Home Trust**

In January 1985, the Board of Health brought a complaint in the Plymouth County Superior Court to enjoin the defendants from locating and installing any additional mobile homes at the Matfield Woods Mobile Home Park without the written authorization of the Board of Health. The Board also sought an injunction prohibiting the defendants from conveying to a third party a certain parcel of land consisting of 28.515 acres, which is included in the original site development plan for said Mobile Home Park, without the written authorization of the Planning Board and the Board of Health. Such injunctions were issued by the Court on February 4, 1985. The Board's complaint also requests the Court to order the defendants, after a hearing on the merits, to comply with the licensing requirements for mobile home parks set forth in Chapter 140 of the Massachusetts General Laws, to comply with the provisions of the Town's Mobile Home Park By-Law, and to comply with the provisions of a written Agreement between the Planning Board and the defendants, dated November 22, 1982. The preliminary injunctions are still in effect, and this matter is still pending in Court.

Board of Selectmen

V.

Robert R. May and Doris G. May

In January 1985, the Board of Selectmen brought a complaint in the Plymouth County Superior Court to enjoin the defendants from conducting at their premises at 104 Turnpike Street any business involving the buying and selling of second hand motor vehicles, the buying of second hand motor vehicles for the purpose of remodeling, taking apart or rebuilding the same, the buying and selling parts of second hand motor vehicles and tires and assembling second hand motor vehicle parts, and from storing junk automobiles on said premises. On July 1, 1985, the Superior Court entered a judgment in favor of the Town ordering the defendants to refrain from using their premises at said 104 Turnpike Street for any use or purpose which violate the provisions of Chapter 140 of the Massachusetts General Laws concerning the buying and selling of second hand motor vehicles or parts thereof or the provisions of the Zoning By-Law of the Town. As the defendants have refused to comply with such order of the Court, the Board of Selectmen have brought a complaint for contempt against the defendants. Such complaint has been heard by the Court, but no decision has as yet been rendered.

Raymond Desrochers

V.

Board of Selectmen, Town of West Bridgewater,

Charles D. Anderson and Jimmy C. Ames

This is a complaint brought in the United States District Court against the Board of Selectmen, the Town of West Bridgewater, and police officers Charles D. Anderson and Jimmy C. Ames in which the plaintiff seeks damages for an alleged false arrest and imprisonment. A number of other Towns are also defendants in this action. The complaint was filed on or about June 27, 1986, and it will be sometime before it comes to trial.

Kenneth W. Bartell and Marion H. Bartell

V.

Zoning Board of Appeals

This is an appeal by the plaintiffs of a decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals upholding the decision of the Building Inspector to take no action with respect to an alleged violation of the Zoning By-Laws with respect to certain premises owned by William E. Turner, Jr., Carl E. Turner and Kenneth A. Turner, d/b/a Turner's Industrial Park. This case is pending in the Plymouth County Superior Court.

Kenneth W. Bartell and Marion H. Bartell

V.

Zoning Board of Appeals

This is an appeal by the plaintiffs of a decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals granting a variance to Turner's Industrial Park Realty trust from the provisions of the Zoning By-Laws which require that no building or structure in an Industrial District shall be erected or placed within forty (40) feet of a side line. This case is pending in the Plymouth County Superior Court.

Respectfully submitted,
John P. Lee
Legal Counsel

**REPORT OF THE PLYMOUTH COUNTY
MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Commissioners of the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project are pleased to submit the following report of our activities during 1986.

The Project is a special district created by the State Legislature in 1957, and is now composed of 22 Plymouth County towns, the City of Brockton, and the

Town of Cohasset in Norfolk County. The Project is a regional response to a regional problem and provides a way of organizing specialized equipment, specially trained employees, and mosquito control professionals into a single agency with a broad geographical area of responsibility. The Project continues to provide environmentally sound mosquito control without any increase in per capita cost.

Calendar year 1986 was a milestone year. This year the Project finally achieved the staffing and equipage goals that were set in 1980. Certainly, challenges both new and familiar continue, but with the present staff and equipment, increases in both efficacy and efficiency can be expected. Indeed, sharp increases are apparent already in many of our program measures when compared with last year.

The threat of the mosquito transmitted disease, Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE), was low in 1986. There was some concern that a late season surge in summer freshwater mosquitoes (*Aedes vexans*) might result in transmission of the virus to people and some stepped-up spraying was carried out in areas where the mosquitoes were most abundant. No horse or human cases occurred. The recurring problem of EEE in Southeastern Massachusetts has led to an ever-increasing level of cooperation between this Project and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

Highlights of 1986 include the development of an improved ground to Aircraft Communications System, the installation of a new Ford Backhoe on our Bombadier Tractor, the issuance of a permit by the U.S. Army Corp. of Engineers to construct ponds and ditches for mosquito control on the tide marsh, the first use of a high volume spray system for application of extremely diluted insecticides, the purchase and use of a Kubota KH170L Backhoe, and the accomplishment of a three fold increase in the construction of ponds and ditches above 1985 levels.

The figures specific to the Town of West Bridgewater are given below. While mosquitoes do not respect town lines, the information given below does provide a tally of the activities which have had the greatest impact on the health and comfort of West Bridgewater residents.

1. Insecticide Application. 3,584 acres were treated using truck mounted sprayers for control of adult mosquitoes. More than one application was made to the same site if mosquitoes reinvaded the area. The first treatments were made in June and the last in September.

Finally we have been tracking complaint response time, that is the time between notice of a mosquito problem and response by one of our inspectors. The complaint response time in the Town of West Bridgewater was less than two days.

We encourage citizens or municipal officials to call our office for information about mosquitoes, mosquito-borne diseases, control practices, or any other matters of concern.

REPORT OF THE BY-LAW STUDY COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The newly appointed By-Law Study Committee has been meeting steadily since October, 1986.

Our time has been spent discussing various issues the town is facing such as the necessity of a Site Plan Approval By-Law, the need for a comprehensive look at land use, the need for a revision of our Zoning By-Laws, as well as a complete review of the total Town By-Laws.

We anticipate this will be a lengthy process, and we are all committed to presenting a complete By-Law package that will serve all of West Bridgewater into the 21st Century.

Respectfully submitted,
David A. Gill, *Chairman*
Claire M. Davock
John C. Eldridge
Marlene A. Howell
David W. Lacy
Neil Manzer
Joseph McMorrow
William A. Oakhem
Paul J. Sheedy
Gerald E. Stetson

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF GASFITTING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby respectfully submit my annual report for the year 1986.

There were 63 Gas Applications filed for gasfitting permits for the year. There were 71 Gasfitting inspections made in the following types of buildings:

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| New Dwellings | 2 |
| Old Dwellings | 42 |
| Commercial Buildings | 18 |
| Public Buildings | 2 |

There were 17 gas appliances installed.

There were 2 propane installations.

The Massachusetts State Gas Code is used as a basis for all gas installations.

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph F. Donovan
Inspector of Gasfitting

REPORT OF THE SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Massachusetts has one of the highest quality vocational-technical educational systems in the country. Southeastern Regional School District provides quality technical education and assists the district by providing academically skilled and highly trained citizenry. Recently however, we have experienced some economic inequities which are impeding our educational goals. Although the Commonwealth for the past few years has increased state aid to local cities and towns, our main school revenue source, Chapter 70, has been frozen since July 1, 1984. Our budget increase for the past two years has only been 3.02%, but unfortunately assessments to district communities have greatly accelerated due to lack of state aid. New legislation is being filed to alleviate this problem.

West Bridgewater is a member of the Southeastern Regional School District. The district consists of seven other towns and the City of Brockton. Taxpayers support the school district through assessments which are based on the number of students from each member community. West Bridgewater's share of the FY87 \$6,365,553 budget consists of 4.12%, representing 58 students.

Southeastern offers 24 high school vocational training programs and 6 Technical Institute post secondary programs. On October 1, 1986, one thousand two hundred eighty-five (1,285) students were enrolled in the high school and one hundred thirty-four (134) in the Technical Institute.

In June 1986, the Southeastern Regional Vocational Technical High School graduated 268 students. Placement figures from the Guidance Department indicate that 98% of the Class of 1986 were placed in jobs or elected to further their education. Much of the success of our placement record is attributed to the Cooperative Education Program. Sixty percent (60%) of the Class of 1986 participated in the Cooperative placement program.

Federal grants from a variety of sources were used to offset costs. Vocational Education Act grant funds (Public Law 98-524) were used to purchase hydronics equipment for the Plumbing program, and supplies and/or equipment were also purchased for the Auto Mechanics, Masonry and Commercial Foods programs. Computer Assisted Design software and purchased for the Machine Drafting program.

Special Education funds (Public Law 94-142) were used to support our Chapter 766 program. Chapter II block grant funds were used to support Southeastern's commitment to computer assisted instruction.

Chapter 188 (Public School Improvement Act) funds were awarded to Southeastern through a variety of programs. Equal Educational Opportunity Grants (EEO) were used to purchase academic and vocational supplies.

School Improvement Council Funds were used to purchase equipment, supplies and a computer for academic and vocational programs. Three \$1000 Commonwealth Scholars Grants for academic excellence were awarded to graduates.

Curriculum and staff development continue to provide students with increased options upon graduation. Computer awareness was further incorporated into the mathematics curriculum. Increased reading and writing skills were strengthened by updating the curriculum and materials of the English department. Computer assisted units are now being introduced into the vocational curriculum.

An articulation agreement with Massasoit Community College is being developed to provide advanced standing to high school and Technical Institute students.

The annual Senior Awards Program provided over \$18,000 worth of Scholarships and "toolships" to graduating students. This scholarship program enables students to obtain tools and equipment for employment or scholarship funds to continue their education.

A school-business partnership between Northeastern University, Compugraphics Incorporated and Southeastern resulted in a \$70,000 donation to the school. This donation provided a state-of-the-art computer typesetting system for use in the Graphic arts Department.

Renovations to the Old Bridgewater Historical Society Building on Howard Street, West Bridgewater, are underway. Southeastern students will be upgrading the electrical system and installing a new plumbing system.

Sincerely,
Eugene Kostecki

WEST BRIDGEWATER BUILDING NEEDS & USE COMMITTEE

We, the members of the Building Needs & Use Committee, respectfully submit the following report for 1986.

The members of the committee continue to provide assistance to the town departments in inspecting the town's municipal buildings & properties.

Inspections of the Library and Water Department were conducted during 1986. Reports of our findings and recommendations have been reported and filed to the Board of Selectmen.

We recognize and thank those municipal officials who have assisted the committee during the past year.

Respectfully submitted
Jack Bottini, *Chairman*
Dick McMahan, *Clerk*
Joseph Kennedy, *Member*
Joseph McMorrow, *Member*
Henry Podolsky, *Member*

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of West Bridgewater.

The West Bridgewater Conservation Commission respectfully submits our annual report.

In 1986 the Commission held 23 regular meetings and 1 special meeting in the administration of the Wetlands Protection Act, Chapter 131 Section 40 of Massachusetts General Laws and under the guidelines set forth by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Regulations 310.

In 1986 the Commission received 7 applications for requests of Applicability and held 7 Public Hearings resulting in Determinations of Applicability to the Act (Chapt. 131 Sect. 40).

In 1986, 23 Notices of Intent were filed with the Commission resulting in 23 Public Hearings and the issuing of 23 Orders of Conditions installing guidelines under which a project can proceed without causing an adverse effect on our natural resources.

Also, 13 of these Public Hearings had to be continued in order to have plans of the project revised to meet the regulations as prescribed by law or to await a report from our Consulting Engineer in order to formulate a proper Order of Conditions.

All consulting fees are paid by the Applicant and therefore no expense to the Town.

Two applications were denied without prejudice for major plan revisions allowing the Applicant to refile at a future date.

Four Orders of Conditions were appealed to the Dept. of Environmental Quality Engineering by the Applicants or abuttors resulting in Superceding Orders of Conditions by DEQE, with 1 appeal being denied by the Department.

The Conservation Commission issued four (4) Certificates of Compliance, meaning that the project has been completed.

There were 3 Extensions of Orders issued allowing a project to continue under an existing Order of Conditions that had expired before the project had been completed, plus 1 by DEQE and one denied by DEQE.

The Commission issued 6 Enforcement Orders halting work being done in violation of the Wetlands Protection Act. The violators are ordered to file a Notice of Intent or restore the area within 30 days in order to avoid further action by the Commission.

The Conservation Commission conducted 10 site visits and attended several meeting and hearings conducted by other boards to lend input on projects relative to their own work.

The amount of outgoing mail has escalated sharply in 1986, with the majority of it being sent Certified in addition to official documents.

The largest and most complex projects reviewed by the Commission in 1986 and at this time well under way are United Drive off Manley Street Extension, United Liquors on United Drive, Eastern Edison on West Center Street, Cricket Lane Corp. on Manley Street and Command Transportation on West Street and in addition to smaller businesses, plus single dwellings and residential subdivisions.

Over the past year the Commission has held many interviews with developers and real estate people interested in coming to West Bridgewater to develop land that is marginal due to the fact that the prime land is either too expensive or already being developed; therefore, it will be extremely important that the Town adopt a set of Wetland Zoning By-Laws through an article in the warrant of a Town Meeting in the very near future as other progressive cities and towns have done across the Commonwealth.

By doing this the town would have excellent tools to use in order to better protect our diminishing natural resources.

In another area the Town should acquire certain parcels of land to develop a better Open Space program with priorities as set forth by the Open Space Committee that was active this past year developing a master plan of the town in regards to an open space program for the benefit of the people to enjoy in future years to come.

The Commission firmly hopes that if and when these articles come before them that they be considered with an open mind and be evaluated on their true merit and be accepted for the reasons that they are presented.

In closing the Commission wishes to thank the people of West Bridgewater for supporting the Article that was presented at the most recent Town Meeting by the Commission.

Also we would like to thank the Board of Selectmen, Planning Board, Board of Health, Building Inspector, Appeals Board and the Highway Dept. for the help and many courtesies afforded the Conservation Commission over the past year. A special thanks to the people that work within the Town Hall for the help and many courtesies that they extend to all who come to conduct business within the Town Hall in addition to the members of the various Boards and Commissions.

Respectfully Submitted

John Dacey, *Chairman*

Howard Hayward, *Vice-Chairman*

Linda Greene, *Clerk*

Hugh Hurley, *Member*

Thomas Driscoll, *Member*

Joseph Sousa, *Member*

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

It is with pleasure that we submit this annual report of the Council on Aging for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1986.

The members of the Council on Aging, staff of the Senior Center, and community members have served this community and the seniors they represent very well indeed. They have and are currently serving on the following:

SILVER-HAIRED LEGISLATURE

Doris Sandrock (COA Member), Representative, 2nd Plymouth District

David Cohen (COA Member), Senator, 10th Plymouth District

OLD COLONY ELDERLY SERVICES, INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Robert Bolger, Member (COA Member)

Lloyd Sears, Alternate (COA Member)

OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL AREA AGENCY ON AGING

ADVISORY COUNCIL

William Brown, Member

Kenneth Hollis, Alternate (COA Member)

OLD COLONY ELDERLY SERVICES, INC. MINIBUS COMMITTEE

Eleanor Lindsay, Member (COA Staff)

Kathleen V. Fenstermaker, Alternate (COA Staff)

COMMITTEE TO ESTABLISH EMERGENCY PROCEDURES IN

WEATHER RELATED AND EMERGENCY SITUATIONS

Mildred Lucier, Member (COA Member)

Samuel Feinberg, Member (COA Member)

Michael Manugian, Civil Defense Director

All of the above listed are ACTIVE participants in helping to determine policies that best serve the interests of senior citizens not only in West Bridgewater but also in the twenty-two communities comprising the service area as set forth by the Executive Office of Elder Affairs. Your Council on Aging members attended local area workshops on aging issues, nutrition, grantsmanship, and other special issues important to lives of senior citizens. Also, several members attended the annual Governor's Conference on Aging which addressed statewide concerns and issues of growing older in Massachusetts.

Not to be forgotten are our "un-sung heroes". Our volunteers are dedicated, fiercely loyal, and ever mindful of the importance of their duties. A warm thank you to: George Mcguire, transportation; Gordon Ross, custodial care; John Russell, transportation; Kenneth and Blanche Hollis, Meals on Wheels; Alpee Surette, Meals on Wheels; Eleanor Lindsay, Outreach and Friendly Visiting; Kathleen V. Fenstermaker, telephone reassurance; Arthur Gianunnzio, Special Projects; Edna DeCouto, Special Projects; Ellen Benson, transportation; Beverly Lucier, Special Meals Delivery; Ethel Fisher, Special Meals Delivery; Kathleen E. Fenstermaker, Special Projects; Samuel Feinberg, Nutrition volunteer; and the many others of all ages who have been there when needed. We could not

function without our volunteers — a very special breed of people — these folks.
THANK YOU ALL!

This has been a year of decision making and transition for your Council on Aging. We have set a number of goals for the coming year. Our first priority is to institute in fiscal '87 the position of a part-time Director of Senior Services. For too long now, the Senior Center and Program, located in the "A" Wing of the Spring Street School, has gone without the necessary day-to-day direction of a professional skilled in the areas of social service delivery systems, outreach, volunteer recruitment and training, program development, special activities and planning, etc. In fact, West Bridgewater is one of the few remaining communities in the twenty-three town service area to have yet established such a position. The kind of direction such a position will generate is vital to advocacy and the strengthening of senior programs necessary to maintain dignity, security, health and well being for all our senior citizens. The Council on Aging has included the funding for this position in our budget request for fiscal 1987.

A second priority is to evaluate and restructure our Nutrition Program. A grant proposal has been prepared by Beth Burgess, Chairman, to be submitted to the Area Agency on Aging, Title IIIB of the Older Americans Act to fund a new commercial dishwasher, commercial refrigerator, the addition of a part time nutrition aide/general worker. Plans call for the restructure of the Nutrition Program to include 4 days a week, year round. The program expansion will also allow for meals delivery to all our shutins allowing them a choice of programs and special luncheons on another day of the week. The COA is committed to building a comprehensive program to provide needed services to our senior citizens. A crucial component of such successful programs is a solid base that a nutrition program provides so that new programs may develop around it.

Finally, your COA has the following groups and peoples to thank for their valuable and thoughtful assistance throughout the year: The West Bridgewater Lions Club, The Key Club, Dr. Ronald Gerhardt, Mr. Leo Moroni, Mr. Donald Newman, Mr. Erick Benson, the membership of J.O.Y. (Just Older Youth), the West Bridgewater Senior Citizens Club, and the many, many people who have made, donated, bought, or attended functions in support of senior center activities not covered under our town budget. We are enthusiastically preparing for the coming year. We look forward to the future with the anticipation of success in achieving our goals.

Respectfully,
Beth Burgess, *Chairman*
Marjorie MacDonald, *Vice-Chairman*
Doris Sandrock, *Secretary*
Joseph McMorrow, *Treasurer*
Robert Bolger Kenneth Hollis
David Cohen Mildred Lucier
Samuel Feinberg Virginia Michael
Edwin Grover Lloyd Sears

REPORT OF THE VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION, INC.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Concern over health care is headline news these days. Mandated cuts in reimbursement have had a significant effect on all health care programs, including the services delivered by the Bridgewater Visiting Nurse Association.

Since 1902 our purpose has been to provide the best possible care for the sick and health education for the community. This has been our responsibility for over eighty years. Today we serve a population of over 25,000. In 1902 one nurse provided home health care. Our staff has increased to five registered nurses, five home health aides and by contract a physical therapist, occupational therapist, speech therapist and a medical social worker.

Early discharge of patients combined with severe restrictions have provided a continuing challenge to our staff as we endeavor to meet our commitment.

During fiscal year 1985-1986 we have provided the following services:

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| Nursing visits | 1,225 |
| Physical Therapy visits | 256 |
| Occupational Therapy visits | 16 |
| Speech Therapy visits | 0 |
| Medical Social Worker visits | 18 |
| Home Health Aide (hours) | 1,619.5 |

Community services . . . have included participation in the Health Fair, the Fuel Assistance Program and Cancer Screening. Red Cross Certified Baby Sitting Classes have been conducted. In addition, a monthly health conference has been held at Esther Drive and an Evening Health Conference at the BVNA Headquarters for the 18 to 60 year old group and those who cannot attend the daytime conference. Persons seen at these conferences total 40 for a total number of 136 visits during 9 sessions. For infants and pre-school children a Well Child Clinic is held monthly at the Central Square Congregational Church, Bridgewater. 119 persons were seen at the health clinics for West Bridgewater residents which are held on the first and third Tuesday of the month at Town Hall.

Non-reimbursed services delivered to the residents of West Bridgewater had a dollar value of \$8,355.14, for the fiscal year.

Contracts . . . have been made with Home Health and Child Care Services, Inc., Rehabilitation Services, Inc., MA. Easter Seal Society, Gilmar Associates, and James Williston, M.Ed.-CCC-SP, for therapists and home health aides; and an agreement with Foster Medical Corporation for sick room equipment and supplies.

Clinics . . . the professional staff and volunteers from the Board of Directors have assisted with the health conferences and clinics for hypertension, lead

poisoning, diabetes, glaucoma, influenza and TB Mantoux testing.

Accreditation. . .The agency is fully certified by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Public Health.

Administration. . .governing the agency is a volunteer Board of Directors (24) assisted by a volunteer Group of Professional Personnel (17), representing business and professional men and women and consumers.

Professional Staff. . .includes Ann P. Kirkpatrick, BSN, Supervisor/Administrator and the following registered professional nurses: Jeannette Irving, RN, BS, alternate supervisor and senior nurse; Diane Glass, BSN, Kathryn Heimerdinger, FNP, Kathleen LeBrun, BSN and Patricia Urban, RN. Eleanor Binda serves as executive secretary and Philip Casey as statistician-billing clerk.

Home Health Aides. . .Loretta Caruson, Mary Cunniff, Joanne Johnson, Elmer Ross and Betty Surgens.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanore D. MacCurdy
President

CIVIL DEFENSE

In the very near future the Town of West Bridgewater will have direct communication with Civil Defense Headquarters in Bridgewater. James Grandfield and Harry Ketler, communication officers on the Civil Defense staff in West Bridgewater will install a communication assembly which will enable the Town of West Bridgewater to communicate with Headquarters in Bridgewater in any emergency. This unit will be placed in the Civil Defense Director's office which is adjacent to the High School gymnasium. At this time I would like to express the appreciation of all residents in West Bridgewater to Harry and Jim for installing the above equipment and making themselves available to operate the same whenever our town experiences an emergency.

Any person/persons requiring shelter due to power failure, etc., may call any one of the following phone numbers:

Civil Defense Director — 586-1394
Police Department — 586-2528
Fire Department — 586-4137

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Manugian
Civil Defense Director

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

I herewith submit the Annual Report of the West Bridgewater Police Department for the year 1986:

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| Complaints | 2,851 |
| Investigations | 7,600 |
| Breaking and Entering | 65 |
| Larceny | 159 |
| Arrests (Total) | 457 |
| Male Adult | 416 |
| Female Adult | 26 |
| Male Juvenile | 14 |
| Female Juvenile | 1 |

Following is a breakdown of some of the activity listed above. This does not include traffic violations or misdemeanors.

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| Assault and Battery | 14 |
| Robberies | 2 |
| Breaks (Residential) | 30 |
| Breaks (Commercial) | 35 |
| Larceny More | 97 |
| Larceny Less | 62 |
| Rapes | 1 |
| Attempted Rapes | 0 |
| Indecent Assault and Battery | 0 |
| Operating Under the Influence | 74 |
| Open and Gross Lewdness | 10 |
| Child Abuse | 1 |

MISCELLANEOUS

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| Accidents (Total) | 431 |
| Buildings Found Open | 41 |
| Assist Ambulance | 320 |
| Transport to Mental Health Facility | 14 |
| Assist Other Towns | 240 |
| Officer Assaulted | 2 |
| Fire Calls Covered | 78 |
| Bomb Scares | 6 |
| Alarms Answered | 713 |
| Missing Persons | 8 |
| Vehicles Stolen | 37 |
| Vehicles Recovered | 88 |
| Unexpected Deaths | 7 |
| Incapacitated Persons | 61 |
| Robberies | 2 |

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| Vandalism | 124 |
| Alarms Answered | 713 |
| Alarms Answered (False) | 706 |
| Kidnapping | 0 |
| Attempted Suicide at Station | 4 |
| Value of Property Stolen | \$327,209.00 |
| Value of Property Recovered | \$267,542.00 |

TRAFFIC

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| Accidents | 431 |
| Fatals | 3 |
| Property Damage | 322 |
| With Injuries | 148 |

CITATIONS

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| Warnings | 675 |
| Non-Criminal | 1,580 |
| Arrests & Court | 284 |
| Total Citations | <u>2,539</u> |

**MONIES RETURNED TO THE TOWN
OF WEST BRIDGEWATER — 1986**

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| Pistol Permits Issued | \$ 570.00 |
| Licenses to Sell Firearms and Ammunition | 62.00 |
| Firearms Identification Cards | 84.00 |
| Receipts for Copies of Police Reports | 1,330.50 |
| Parking Fine from Plymouth County | 1,310.93 |
| Fines from Brockton District Court | 84,102.50 |
| Work Permits Issued (Sundays and Holidays) | <u>80.00</u> |

TOTAL RECEIPTS TO TOWN:\$87,539.93

Without a doubt by the time this report is printed we will be in our new revised station. It has been a long time coming and is a much needed facility.

I would like to express my sincere thanks and gratitude to the Board of Selectmen, the Building Committee and citizens of West Bridgewater for allowing the Police Department to have this much needed complex. I am sure I speak not only for myself but for all members of the Police Department as I extend an invitation to all of our citizens to come in and look over our new quarters.

In the details of our Police Report you will note a decrease in crime for the past year. We were faced with a year of operating short handed due to many circumstances and it was costly to keep abreast of routine work. I have requested additional help in view of the situation, however I am aware of the fact that money is tight and we shall endeavor to do the best with whatever situation we face.

Training is still costly and an on going project for in service and specialized training—however it is an important phase of police work that we can not do without.

It is with deep regret and a sense of sadness that I report the retirement on March 2, 1987 of Sgt. Robert W. Anderson. Sgt. Anderson and I worked together for many years; he was a member of this department for 34 years and he was always diligent in his police work, holding the duties of the traditional police officer in high esteem. He will be greatly missed and I wish him well in his retirement.

Once again, my thanks to the Board of Selectmen, the Finance Committee, Department Heads and Departments for their understanding and their many courtesies shown to me and the officers of the Police Department.

To all members of the Police Department, I thank you all for your cooperation and dedication throughout the year.

Ervin G. Lothrop
Chief of Police

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
WEST BRIDGEWATER
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

REPORT OF THE WEST BRIDGEWATER SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Nineteen Eighty-six was a very productive year for the West Bridgewater Schools. The election of April, 1986, returned Mr. Joseph Kennedy to his seat on the Committee and elected Mr. Matthew Travers to replace Mr. Thomas Kelley, who chose not to seek re-election. The Committee joins the town in thanking Mr. Kelley for his years of service to the children of West Bridgewater. Mr. Travers was welcomed as one of the youngest Committee members in the state.

At the Town Meeting in May of 1986, the town joined with other communities in accepting state aid under Chapter 188 which was passed by the legislature in 1985. The first provision was the acceptance of the \$18,000 minimum salary. This is state funded for two years, and enables us to be more competitive in hiring new teachers. This will be important to us in the future as we see several of our veteran teachers retiring. The second provision of Chapter 188 was the Professional Development Grant allocation. Distribution of these state funds was subject to a negotiated agreement between the Committee and the West Bridgewater Education Association. Our agreement was unique in that we were able to have a portion of the funds set aside to pay teachers for some of the creative work which we have been unable to fund in the past. The dedication of our staff has been evident in all our recent negotiations. In addition to these funds, we also have applied for Horace Mann Funds, again under Chapter 188. This money will be used to study our Health Curriculum, our Gifted and Talented program, a possible Summer Enrichment and Remediation Program and investigate Computer Systems for Student Management.

The Annual Town Meeting also approved the repair of the Howard School roof. This was completed during the summer, and interior work to repair the damage caused by the leaks is now being done. The Committee has continued to emphasize the need to repair and maintain our buildings. In 1986, a large sum was spent on the High School to refurbish the Business Wing, paint and carpet the auditorium and paint the cafeteria. Blinds have been purchased for the cafeteria and the library, as well as some classrooms. At a Special Town Meeting in December, the Committee sought and received an additional \$39,000 to complete more maintenance projects that we felt should not be delayed any further. Among these projects is a structural study of all our buildings to determine the condition of the basic building structure. By doing this we hope to determine if there are any problems developing that we can solve before significant damage is done. We would like to thank the townspeople for their support in obtaining these funds.

In the Spring, the Committee worked with the Library Trustees and voted to transfer a portion of the Howard School property over to the town as a site for a proposed library. It was felt that this site, the area where Drury Hall was located, would be an excellent location since it is close to the schools, out of high traffic areas, yet easily accessible by the main roads in town. We support the efforts of the Library Trustees to improve the library facilities in West Bridgewater.

In keeping with its policy of involving as many people as possible in the decision making process, the Committee authorized the Superintendent to establish two committees; one to make recommendations to improve the Special Education Program, based on the reports received in the Spring, and the other to study all aspects of our sports program at the Junior-Senior High School. Reports from these committees will be received in early 1987. An Ad-Hoc Committee to repair the Howard School Field completed its work in the Fall of 1986. This committee coordinated the work of local businesses and many volunteers to solve the drainage problem that has plagued the field for many years. The Committee extends its thanks to all and to other citizens who helped the schools throughout the year.

The Committee continues to plan as best we can for the future. We strive to provide the means for our staff to prepare our students for the intricate technological society in which they will live. The declining enrollment at the secondary level, and the levelling off of enrollment at the primary level make this a difficult task. Providing a variety of programs is very costly for a small system. The results, however, can be seen in the varied accomplishments of our students. We are proud of their achievements, both individually and as a body.

The Committee would like to thank the Townspeople and the Town Departments for their help and support throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Santry, *Chairman*
Leo Cronin, *Vice-Chairman*
Joseph Kennedy, *Clerk*
Betty Alden Miller
Paul Curnutte
Matthew Travers

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

My third town report as the Superintendent of the West Bridgewater Schools reflects upon "making a good school system better." Although our enrollment at the High School shows a continued decline, attempts to maintain a comprehensive curriculum have, for the most part, been successful. An opportunity to review our secondary school program and facilities will be afforded us next year when we begin preparation for the New England Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges accreditation evaluation. Our K-12 program and facilities have already been a subject of intensive review by the East-West Regional School District Planning Board. In addition, the new Massachusetts Educational Assessment Program further focused on our curriculum offerings. It was a year of close scrutiny.

In the first year of state-wide assessment testing, our students were average or

above in all categories. Specifically, Grade Three, Grade Seven, and Grade Eleven students were tested in the areas of reading, mathematics, and science. Grade Seven students scored significantly above average while Grade Three and Grade Eleven Science scores showed a need to review our current program.

The East-West Regional School District Planning Board closely reviewed academic and extra curricular activities and the facilities of both school systems. The results of this study and others will be explained in a series of public hearings. In addition to this assessment, we recently received a comprehensive report on our athletic program by the Blue Ribbon Sports Committee and the Special Education Steering Committee has been meeting on a regular basis to determine our current status and future recommendations.

Great progress has been made with respect to the infusion of Chapter 188 (The Education Improvement Act of 1985) funding into the West Bridgewater Public Schools. Through the actions of the School Committee, the West Bridgewater Education Association, and Town Meeting voters, we have an \$18,000 minimum starting salary for teachers, School Improvement Councils at all schools, Professional Development Grants, and Horace Mann fellowships. Indeed, the West Bridgewater Public Schools have been actively writing and securing state and federal grants. Recent grants received are: Energy Conservation (\$6,795), EOCED Regionalization Study (\$12,000), PL94-142 (\$47,175), PL89-313 (\$6,750), Chapter I (\$22,472), Occupational Education (\$4,247), Early Childhood (\$3,000), Block Grant (\$3,764), Chapter 750 Incentive Grant (\$2,500), Project Employ (\$35,095), and Chapter 188 (\$93,629). The receipt of these funds, in excess of \$235,000, will enable the school system to offer more programs on a cost-effective basis.

With respect to our school facilities, the Howard School now has an energy-efficient, water-tight roof. We plan to repair the ceilings and complete some painting in the corridors and classrooms. The soccer field at the Howard School should be ready for the fall of 1987. At the Rose L. MacDonald School, the corridors will be carpeted in an effort to improve the footing on the sloped passageways. At the High School, ceilings will be repaired in the lobby and related corridors, new bleachers have been installed on the football field, damaged window shades have been replaced, and an extensive repair of the boys and girls locker rooms is underway.

Our enrollment continues to show a general decline. In 1985-1986, there were 1,114 students; 1,068 students are enrolled in 1986-1987. There is an increase of three percent at the Rose L. MacDonald, a decrease of four percent at the Howard School, and a decrease of eight percent at the Junior-Senior High School. It is still a possibility that the decline will end with approximately 1,000 students within the next several years. As indicated in previous reports, one of our greatest concerns is continuation of a comprehensive curriculum in a small high school.

The cooperation of all town departments, the Selectmen, Finance Committee, School Committee, teachers, parents, residents, students, and administrators is necessary for a school system to function effectively. This cooperation has been most evident. In behalf of everyone associated with the West Bridgewater Public Schools, this opportunity will be used to say thank you.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ronald P. Gerhart
Superintendent of Schools

Curriculum Report

For the second school year, the West Bridgewater Schools have a full-time Curriculum Coordinator. Having this role filled allows the town's schools to evaluate the cohesion of their curricula on a kindergarten through twelfth grade series.

Last year the staff of all three schools created a "Curriculum Map". This map outlines each curriculum area, K-12, in forms of prerequisite skills required, knowledge objectives, skill objectives, and attitudinal objectives. The maps are a particularly useful tool in light of developments this year, including the state-run Curriculum Achievement Tests, on which the students performed at or above average in most categories, and the curriculum portion of the study conducted by Dr. Thomas Henstock for the East Bridgewater-West Bridgewater Regional Planning Board.

The heart of any school system is its curriculum. In this regard, West Bridgewater is in fine form.

Respectfully Submitted,
T. Michael Janelli
Curriculum Coordinator/Administrative Assistant

West Bridgewater Jr. Sr. High School

The High School Art Program has a carefully structured curriculum aimed at establishing a solid foundation for the creative student who wishes to enter one of the nearly 180 Art Careers in the Country. This is achieved by the development of their creative eye, skillful hand and entrepreneurial mind. At present, the art department is developing courses with appeal to a greater cross-section of the student population. An Art Appreciation and/or Crafts course would be geared toward the student who does not seek an art career but who has a strong interest in learning some crafts, ie; clay, woodcarving, enameling etc.

Several students who were eligible to enter the Scholastic Art Competition for the nation's high school students, received regional, state and national awards again in 1986. Karen Moreau received 3 regional awards and a scholarship for her portfolio. Kathy DeArruda, Brian Roy, Todd Norcross and Chris Zibelli each won regional and state awards. Brian Roy also won a National Honorable Mention.

The Art Department holds three major exhibits each year. The Fall and Spring Exhibits are held in conjunction with Parent-Teacher Conferences. A Senior Art Show is held in May.

Former art students are heard from regularly. Jon Steinmetz has his art drawings published in a comic book entitled "The Mighty Mites". Laurie Turner had her "Wearable Art" selected for a prestigious Fashion Show. Other students are doing well in their respective fields while being gainfully employed in various agencies.

The goals of the West Bridgewater athletic, intramural and physical education programs are to develop skills, values, and attitudes along with a competitive spirit which will enable our students to become functioning contributing members of todays active fast-paced society.

Our athletic program should not be thought of as an entity in itself but as an integral part of the total educational experience. The athletic and physical education experiences encountered by our participants help to develop cognitive, psychomotor and affective skills which cannot be accounted for anywhere else in the educational process.

During the 1985-1986 school year we had some 450 students involved in our athletic and intramural programs.

Two hundred and fifty-seven student athletes represented West Bridgewater in 270 varsity and sub-varsity contests. During this same period there were 187 students involved in the intramural programs, including activities such as basketball, volleyball, soccer and weight training.

As in previous years, there are some 18 girls participating on our cheerleading squads. This years group of cheerleaders has delighted the home and visiting teams with a variety of intricate dance routines which took many hours of practice.

The 1985-1986 school year again proved to be a very successful one for the West Bridgewater athletic teams as can be seen by the following list of accomplishments:

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| Girls Field Hockey | Mayflower League Champion State Tourney |
| Girls Basketball | Mayflower League Champion State Tourney (5th consecutive year) |
| Boys Basketball | State Tourney |
| Girls Softball | State Tourney |
| Track | 40 Participants (largest ever) Outstanding improvement and individual performances |
| Girls Tennis | 21 Participants (largest ever) Excellent improvement |
| Along with the excellent team performances of the 1985-86 West Bridgewater | |

squads, there were many individual performances which earned our athletes the following honors:

| Name | Sport | Honor |
|------------------|---------------|--|
| Greg Ames | Football | All League |
| Cindy Boyd | Field Hockey | All League All Scholastic Bay State Games |
| Kristin Cogswell | Field Hockey | All League |
| Sue DeMolles | Field Hockey | All League |
| Bonnie Rascicot | Field Hockey | All League |
| Shawn Bennett | Golf | All League |
| Frank Nelson | Cross Country | All League |
| Mike Maloney | Basketball | All League |
| Shawn Bennett | Basketball | All League |
| Robert Jaruse | Basketball | All League |
| Pat Carifio | Basketball | All League |
| Kathy Richardson | Basketball | All League |
| Darlene Spencer | Basketball | All League All Scholastic |
| Don Asack | Track | All League |
| Scott Chisholm | Track | All League |
| Bonnie Rascicot | Track | All League State |
| Dave Adams | Baseball | All League |
| Bonnie Bullock | Softball | All League |
| Pat Carifio | Softball | All League |
| Nancy Burke | Softball | All League |
| Cindy Boyd | Softball | All League |

The elements of winning and competition though they do exist, do not determine the nature of our programs. While our students are encouraged to excel the principles of sportsmanship and fair play are of primary importance at all times in order to enhance the educational values associated with athletic participation.

It is often asked, "What values are derived from athletic participation?" Aside from the obvious physical values within the scope of the West Bridgewater program the student athlete learns the meaning of sportsmanship, cooperation and commitment. These lessons are among the most important to be learned by the young people of today.

Last year, while Mrs. Callahan, Business Coordinator, was on maternity leave, Mr. Robert Lopes undertook the annual writing of the Federal Grant. His efforts were successful and we've recently received \$4,000 for the purchase of IBM electronic typewriters. Model Office, Office Practice, and Word Processing courses taught in Room 1 will benefit most from the purchase of these electronic typewriters.

This year the Business Department conducted a survey to investigate what avenue we should take in the area of computers. We wanted to determine if the amount of companies in our area using computers had increased since 1983 (year of the Business Departments last survey.) In addition to which, we wanted to learn what kinds of microcomputers were being utilized. Over a one month period Mrs. Callahan and her staff contacted 100 companies by telephone and asked them to respond to a prepared list of questions. Thirteen from Bridgewater, twenty-two from Brockton, twenty-three from Easton, nine from East Bridgewater and thirty-three from West Bridgewater.

The following is a summary of survey findings.

1. Sixty-four percent of the companies responding do use microcomputers. An increase of thirty percent since 1983.
2. Fifty percent of the companies that do not currently use microcomputers plan on purchasing them in the near future.
3. Of the companies responding seventy-eight percent recommend we purchase either IBM or IBM compatible computers.
4. Ninety-one percent of the companies utilize typewriters.
5. Only thirteen percent of the responding companies anticipate ever purchasing typewriters again.
6. Finally, seventy percent of the companies responding utilize their computers for word processing as well as other functions.

The above mentioned findings were presented to the School Committee by Mrs. Callahan in the form of a report. This report was also given to the Computer Committee which is analyzing computer curriculum K-12.

As always, the Business Department is working to up-date their various curriculum. Specifically in the areas of Account 2, Keyboarding 1 & 2, and Word Processing. These particular courses are constantly changing as software programs for our computers becomes more proficient and available.

Finally, Mrs. Mary Coles Accounting 1 class and Mr. Robert Lopes Accounting 2 class will participate in the Boston Globes Stock Market Game. Mrs. Coles will attend a half-day workshop explaining the concepts, rules, and regulations of the game. Their classes will then compete against other area schools also involved in the game.

The English Department continues to offer a variety and range of courses for students in grades 7-12. Updating materials and curriculum as well as replenishing both the grade seven and eight reading paperback library is an ongoing process. Texts were added in grades 7-12 where needed.

During 1986, Miss Wendy Marber, Mrs. Margaret Woods, Mrs. Tilda Bystrom, and Mrs. Janice Ricciardelli attended various Project ERR workshops on writing and curriculum development programs.

Two elective writing courses are offered by the English Department. Writing Workshop I is designed to improve basic writing skills. It includes workshops in grammar, in-class correction of student compositions, discussion and analysis of writing. Writing Workshop II is designed to reinforce and expand the basic writing skills of college preparatory students. An individualized program to help students who have failed to pass one or more of the Massachusetts Basic Skills Tests has been developed for the school year 1986-87.

The highlights of the French Department include a survey of "French Cuisine". All French classes visited L'Auberge, a French restaurant for an authentic French meal. In addition, some classes had cheese tasting sessions while others made French Crepes in class. French cookies and pastries provided additional opportunities to sample food of another culture.

Some of the French 3 students participated in special projects involving French Versions of popular game shows, cooking demonstrations "a la Julia Child", a video program which included newscasts, weather reports and various commercials, and a travel tour of France with French speaking guides.

Other classes participated in treasure hunts. Directions were recorded on tapes and groups of students, armed with recorders, followed the instructions on the tapes. The groups received prizes for finding the treasure which had been hidden somewhere in the school.

Finally, students listened to a guest speaker from the Army. He spoke of the need for people who can speak a foreign language and the role they can play in **Intelligence**.

This year Spanish I was introduced as an elective subject in the eighth grade. Also students in Spanish II, III, and IV listened to cassettes of news broadcasts from Spanish National Radio and worked on listening comprehension exercises written by Dr. Russell. Several students plan to take the National Spanish Exam in March and West Bridgewater Jr. Sr. High School expects to be a test center for several surrounding towns.

During the 1985-86 school year, the Guidance Department continued to assist students in developing their ability to make decisions about personal, social, career and educational issues. Educational, vocational, and personal counseling was provided on an individual and group basis to students in grades one through twelve. Parent-teacher-student conferences were scheduled during the year in order to enhance a student's development.

Career education was actively in view again this year. Speakers from various colleges, military services and career fields were invited to assist students in career exploration/planning and self-awareness. Under the direction of the Elementary and Junior High School Guidance Counselors, students entering the Howard School or Junior High School became more familiar with the facilities and policies by participating in an orientation program. Classroom workshops

were implemented in the sixth grades relative to sexual growth/development and academic development issues. The Planning Career Goals Test was administered to all sophomores. This test included an interest inventory, information measures section, ability section, and a life and career planning survey. In order to help students learn more about oneself and how to develop one's potentiality, students were provided with a variety of activities, classroom programs, interest surveys and resources in addition to highly individualized counseling sessions.

A computerized career information system, ACES, was available to all students, staff and residents of West Bridgewater. The American Career Exploration System (ACES) offered students the opportunity to become more aware of their educational goals, personality preferences, abilities, interests and alternatives to post-secondary schools.

A variety of standardized tests continued to be administered system-wide. The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT) was administered to tenth and eleventh graders on a voluntary basis. The Armed Services Vocational Battery (ASVAB) was offered to all high school students on a voluntary basis as well. Test results were interpreted and discussed with respect to present and future planning.

1986 was a memorable year for awards. Marianne Donndelinger received a Letter of Commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation and was honored as the recipient of the Award for Academic Excellence sponsored by the Massachusetts School Superintendent's Association. Seniors Deborah Boyd, Marianne Donndelinger and Linda Seager were named as Massachusetts Commonwealth Scholars. Six students were selected for the summer P.C.C. Advanced Studies Program at Bridgewater State College. Based on their exceptional achievement test scores, twenty-one seventh grade students qualified in the initial selection procedure for participation in the "Talent Search" sponsored by the Center for the Advancement of Academically Talented Youth at Johns Hopkins University.

Scholarships totaling over \$47,000.00 were awarded to graduates and former graduates of West Bridgewater High School. The funds were raised through the efforts of the Local Citizens' Scholarship Foundation. The total also represents contributions from the Horace Howard Aid Fund, local businesses, social organizations, memorial scholarships, private contributions, and trust funds.

The Class of 1986 decided upon various career pursuits after graduation. Sixty-one percent of the class was planning on continuing their education after high school.

**WEST BRIDGEWATER PUBLIC SCHOOLS
GUIDANCE REPORT ON PLACEMENT FOR 1986**

Total Continuing Education

Total Graduates 1986

| | Boys | Girls | Total |
|--|------|-------|-------|
| 1982 - 61% | | | |
| 1983 - 69% | | | |
| 1984 - 62% | 41 | 61 | 102 |
| 1985 - 70% | | | |
| 1986 - 61% (4 yr. 37%, 2 yr. 16%, Post Sec. & Voc. 8%) | | | |

| | Boys | Girls | Total | % of Class |
|---|------|-------|-------|------------|
| Four Year Public Colleges | 10 | 9 | 19 | 19 |
| Four Year Private Colleges | 2 | 16 | 18 | 18 |
| Two Year Public Colleges | 4 | 7 | 11 | 11 |
| Two Year Private Colleges | 2 | 3 | 5 | 5 |
| Nurse's Training (3 years) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Post Secondary (includes Business & Secretarial, Vocational/Technical Train.) | 3 | 5 | 8 | 8 |
| Military | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Work | 16 | 18 | 34 | 33 |
| Marriage | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Undecided | 3 | 2 | 5 | 5 |

— EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TO BE ATTENDED BY
MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 1986 —

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| Bentley College | Newbury Junior College |
| Boston College | North Bennett Street School |
| Boston University | Pacific Travel School |
| Bryant College | Quincy Junior College |
| Bridgewater State College | Quinnipiac College |
| Central Bible College | Rhode Island Trade School |
| College of The Holy Cross | Salve Regina College |
| Dean Junior College | Salem State College |
| Framingham State College | Southeastern Technical Institute |
| Franklin Pierce College | Stonehill College |
| Franklin Institute of Technology | Tufts University |
| ITT Technical Institute | University of Masana, Spain |
| Johnson & Wales College | University of Massachusetts, Amherst |
| Johnson State College | University of New England |
| Le Baron Hairdressing Academy | Wentworth Institute |
| Massasoit Community College | Wheaton College |

Athletic physicals began in late August for fall sports with again, a large turnout being examined by Dr. Arthur Carriere. Pre-physicals, which consist of height, weight and blood pressure, are conducted the day prior to the physicians' examination, so that the information is readily available. Confidential information is distributed to each member of the faculty on the day prior to the students' opening day of school so as to acquaint each teacher with a student that they may have as to hearing and vision problems, so that proper seating may be arranged. Students with specific handicaps and/or illnesses, such as Diabetes, Epilepsy, to give examples, are made known to the faculty from the first day of school and what to do if a problem arises. They are given updated information if it occurs.

It would be strongly advised that the school be informed of any unusual home situations which could offset the student and their school life, such as a death in the family, an illness, a divorce or any situation which might be stressful to the student.

Vision and Hearing screening continues on an annual basis. Parent follow-up could improve as far as information to the school if treatment was necessary.

West Bridgewater students have all been immunized according to the recent Massachusetts Immunization Law, therefore Clinics for T/D boosters are the only ones necessary other than kindergarten.

Scoliosis screening which is non mandatory annually by the state, continues to be done by the Physical Education Dept. with referrals to the school nurse on students with positive or questionable signs. If the school nurses' diagnosis was positive or questionable, a form was sent to the parent or guardian to have their own physician examine the student and return the form with the physicians diagnosis.

Health counseling continues daily. Many students need someone they can confide in or someone just to be a good listener. The School Nurse serves as a Core Evaluation Team and Makes Home Assessments as necessary.

The School Nurse serves as advisor to the Future Nurses' Club.

The Home Economics Dept. continues to stress the importance of survival skills that are necessary to manage personal affairs and home.

Singles living, an half year course for seniors, covers basic skills dealing with consumer economics starting with professional planning, job hunting and budgeting the income. All areas of predictable fixed expenses are studied plus credit and banking.

A second half year course for seniors is chefs which includes complete meal planning and preparation, nutrition, food safety and additives plus other consumer issues.

Life Skills I and II is designed for two different age and interest levels. Life Skills I for 9th & 10th grade students deals with self concepts, behavior and personality development and human need. Food and nutrition includes personal

choices, and good eating styles as related to basic nutrition. Consumer issues covered are advertising, directed at teens, fraudulent practices, mail order, clothing selection and care.

Life Skills for 11th and 12th grade students, study the various stages of personal relationships and planning a family. Food and nutrition concentrates on personal diets particularly for weight loss and eating disorders. Food preparation is geared to the planning of fast but nutritious family meals. Consumer issues include establishing and equipping a place to live.

The Child Care and Development Class studies all aspects of child development, young children in particular. The students gain direct experience with children by planning and running a nursery school program for preschool children two hours a week.

A highlight of the year is planning and preparing a luncheon for senior citizens of the town.

The enrollment in the Industrial Arts Program has stayed about the same. The new exhaust system is in place and working well in the wood shop. The advanced students have built a room for the schools new generator and have worked on the new football bleachers.

The high school library has catalogued 315 books for its permanent collection. An additional 135 books were added as a result of the Book Fair in November. 72 periodicals and 4 newspapers were renewed or purchased. 38 volumes of current periodicals were bound and have enhanced our reference resources.

The high school library will continue to improve with the necessary cooperation and support of the administration.

While the mathematics department continues to offer a wide variety of courses to a wide range of students, the state is beginning programs which help measure how well we do this. The past year brought the beginnings of two major tools which can be used to look at parts of the mathematics curriculum. One is a state minimum competency test and the other is a state curriculum assessment test.

The minimum competency test was given this fall. The results of the test have not yet been returned to the school. They will be used to identify individuals who need remedial help in mathematics. They will also give some indication of how well we are teaching the basic concepts of mathematics.

The curriculum assessment test was administered last spring. The results were returned this fall. Because of our small school population and the way in which the tests are administered, it will take a few years to build a representative data base. The test will give us opportunities to applaud our strengths and address our weaknesses. In mathematics, the first returns indicate that we are conducting a generally successful program at all levels. However, there are some areas at which we will take a closer look through independent tests.

This year we also began to build a computer lab with the purchase of two IBM

compatible computers. With the right software these computers can be used to help remediate math basic skills or help prepare students for the Scholastic Aptitude Test. Our goal is to set up a lab which is always available for student use and which offers programs for all subjects.

The Jr. Sr. High School Marching Band for the 1986-1987 school year has 31 members playing instruments, 10 majorettes, 4 color guards, and 2 drum majors. This is an increase of 20% in membership. A combined effort from the School Committee and Band Parents Organization enabled us to purchase new uniforms this year. Funds raised by the band parents will be used to add new pieces to the uniforms in the future (i.e. maroon WB for the front of the sweaters). The band has marched at 5 home football games, the Thanksgiving game at Norton High School, and the Veteran's Day Parade in West Bridgewater. Plans are being made to march in the Brockton St. Patrick's Day Parade, the Y.A.A. Little League parade, and the Bridgewater Founder's Day Parade. A field trip to Rocky Point Amusement Park is planned in the spring for all marching band members.

The Junior High School Concert Band has begun its second year as an independent performing group. There are 40 members participating in the organization. Rehearsals are emphasizing intonation, dynamics, and ensemble balance this year. This group performed at the Christmas Concert held on December 17, 1986 at the Canoe Club. The program consisted of traditional Christmas songs.

The Senior High School Concert Band contains 30 members this year. This is an increase of 5 members. With only one member graduating this year this represents great potential for growth in size and quality next year.

This group also performed at the December 17 Christmas Concert. Plans are being discussed with the Director of Bands at Norton High School to combine the two high school bands for periodic sight reading rehearsals with the possibility of a combined concert.

The Junior High School Chorus contains 15 members this year. Emphasis is being placed on singing alto as well as soprano parts. This gives the chorus a fuller sound and requires the members to read music. This group performed at the December 17 Christmas Concert.

The Jazz Ensemble that was assembled in January of 1986 is beginning its second season. Students have shown such an enormous interest in participating in this group it has become necessary to hold auditions for membership. The ensemble will remain small with very high performance standards. The ensemble originated to motivate students to strive for excellence in their playing. All indicators suggest this is working. The goal for this group is to add to last years repertoire and perform as much as possible.

All Groups will be performing at a Spring Concert at the Canoe Club. The third annual Music Awards Banquet will also take place in the spring.

Three students from the Senior High School Band will be participating in the Lion's Club All State Band this year. One freshman auditioned for and was accepted for the M.M.E.A. Junior District Wind Ensemble.

All Junior High students are required to take a General Music Class three times a week for one semester a year. The curriculum for the 7th grade involves isolating the three elements of music and studying each one individually. This knowledge is then used by the students to compose their own music.

Randall Gage is the director of all musical performing groups at the Junior-Senior High School and the teacher of the Junior High General Music Classes.

Even with decreased student enrollment, the Science Department has maintained student interest with its elective program. More students are electing science courses which they believe will be beneficial to them in the future.

Since some colleges are now requiring another year of lab science in high school, we introduced a non-math-oriented course entitled Anatomy and Physiology. It has proven to be a popular elective.

Textbooks are continually being up-dated, keeping our students abreast of the newest developments in theory and technology. The new texts for the junior high are exceptionally well-written.

Once again the Junior High Science Project Exhibit held during the Spring proved to be a big success, with some of the better projects being entered in area science fair competition.

During the past year, science department faculty members have been pursuing knowledge by attending university seminars and workshops, and continuing in advanced studies, all of which serves to enhance our program offerings.

In an ever-changing world where students need to be encouraged to formulate and express democratic attitudes and to become knowledgeable, realistic taxpayers, consumers, and voters, the Social Science Department continues to research and implement effective classroom techniques in all electives and required courses.

As an ongoing process, curriculum is being reviewed and revised. This year, in order to more fully challenge academically talented Seniors, a new American Government textbook was incorporated into the curriculum.

Once again this year West Bridgewater students are participating in the Massachusetts Student Government Day Program with Lyall Armstrong being elected as West Bridgewater's representative and Noah Gouveia being elected as alternate.

Sociology students experienced first hand an ethnic sociological study of Boston and have also completed a unit on deviant behavior culminating in a visit to MCI in Plymouth.

Respectfully submitted,
S. Erick Benson
Principal

Rose L. MacDonald and Howard Schools

As of this date there is a total of 550 children enrolled at the elementary level, grades K-6 — 229 at the Howard School — Grades 4, 5, and 6 and 321 at the Rose L. MacDonald School — Grades K, 1, 2, and 3. A child's daily program consists of instruction in the major subject areas of Reading, Language, Spelling, Handwriting, Mathematics, Social Science, and Physical Science. The amount of time spent in each area is dependent on the child's grade level. Weekly, children participate in Art, Vocal Music, Library and Physical Education activities.

The teaching of Reading and the related Language Arts (spelling, handwriting, and compositional skills) continue to be given top priority at all grade levels.

All students in grades one through six utilize a series of reading textbooks referred to as basal reader programs which also include workbooks, additional skill and practice activities, and testing components. In addition, students are exposed to high quality literature, plays, poetry, and a wealth of additional reading experiences.

Within the classroom, students receive instruction in groups according to their ability and rate of learning. Enrichment and remedial reading services are available whenever recommendations are made. At all times our programs reflect the concept that as students grow and progress, their instructional services may need modification. Therefore, continuous evaluation of the overall reading program is an ongoing process.

In grades K-6 students average daily 45 minutes of Mathematics instruction. In grades 4, 5, and 6 one period a week is devoted solely to problem solving activities. (This is a difficult area for many students.)

Presently we are piloting a new mathematics series in grade four, and this program will be further piloted in the coming year in grade five. Updating textbooks and materials is an ongoing process with decisions being made by those staff members doing the instruction.

A new Social Science program is being introduced in grades 1-6. Implementation will take place over a three year period.

In grades K, 1, 2, and 3 students study the familiar world of home and school, moving through neighborhoods, groups, and to the examination of their community and others.

Grades 4 and 5 concentrate on the United States—examining major geographic regions and United States history—from early settlement to the present.

In grade 6 students study the physical geography, resources and people on the earth.

Throughout the social science curriculum, map and globe skills, personal management skills, and affective valuing skills are integrated into each grade levels content.

In Physical Science, there is a cohesive and sequential program in grades K-6. The Silver-Burdett textbook provides the bases for the program with science laboratories used to provide hands-on experiences. The program emphasizes the development of basic thinking skills—skills used in gathering information, skills used in understanding and applying information and concepts, and skills used in analyzing, synthesizing and evaluating information and concepts.

The Art program in grades K-6 encourages the growth of student creativity through the use of organization, structure, and evaluation. Students learn to confront a problem and then through the use of art discover that there is no single solution. This makes art unique in the education field.

The Library program supports the schools reading programs, exposes students to various forms of literature, and familiarizes students with the myriad uses of the library as a resource center. With the extensive use of parent volunteers and the addition of a library aide, the updating of card catalogs, expansion of materials (books, read-a-longs, cassettes, etc.), and the resource support of teachers and students has been an ongoing process throughout the school year.

The Physical Education program is designed to improve the basic skills of each student as well as achieving a reasonable level of physical fitness and acquiring knowledge of game rules and strategies. Students in grades K-5 attend physical education classes once a week—grade 6 twice a week. Additional activities are conducted by classroom staff. Field days are a culminating activity each school year.

Students in grades 4, 5, and 6 at their choice can participate two days a week (30 weeks) in an after school intramural program.

All students in grades 5 and 6 were screened for scoliosis.

Students in grades K-6 receive instruction one period a week in Vocal Music. Activities focus on developing the concepts of pitch, duration and timbre, and learning how to control these elements through volume, tempo, and articulation. At all levels the songs sung include contemporary, classical, popular, and folk, reflecting many emotions. Classroom instruments are used to encourage creative music making. All the materials used are drawn from a wide range of world cultures and historical eras to give students a broad background for musical appreciation.

In grades 4, 5, and 6 students are encouraged to participate in the Howard chorus. Presently, there are 125 members.

Instrumental group lessons and band participation is another option during the school day, for students in grades 4, 5, and 6.

This past year there have been a number of student musical performances—all requiring classroom staff and fine arts staff leadership and cooperation. In grade 3 the production “This Land Is Your Land,” in grade 6 “Frankly Franklin,” and the traditional Howard School Spring and Christmas concerts.

In addition to the basic academic program as described above, a number of specialized programs have been developed to serve the needs of the students. They are: Enrichment Reading — grades 1-3, Great Books — grades 3-6, Computer Literacy — grades 4-6, Academically Talented program (TOP HAT) — grades 4-6, and Massasoit Super Saturday — grades 4-6.

For those students that experience a great deal of difficulty whether it be academic, social, and/or emotional, extra help is provided through our Reading/Language Arts department, Special Needs department, Chapter I program (reading and mathematics), and Counseling services.

Contact with each child's home is an ongoing process with parents and staff meeting on a regular basis. Early in September parents and students are invited to an Open House. At this time staff members review grade level expectations, instructional materials to be used, and provide parents with an opportunity to discuss their concerns. Twice yearly — fall and spring — formal parent-teacher conferences are held to review each student's individual progress. Written report cards go home four times a year and throughout the school year written and/or verbal progress reports can and are initiated when needed by individual staff members.

The Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) through its fund raising activities provides the schools with services in three important areas — enrichment programs for the students, the purchase of educational materials and equipment, and programs for adults and/or students on timely issues of the day. Some of the enrichment programs that have been PTO sponsored this past year are: Renaissance Theatre, Mother Goose, World of Robotics, Georgie The Four Eyed Bear, and the Heshon Space Program. Adult workshops have been in such areas as, Domestic Violence and Positive Parenting. The parents and teachers of this organization are to be commended for their effort expended on behalf of our students.

This past year each elementary school received \$10.00 per student from the State Department of Education to be used at the school building level to improve the quality of education. A committee (called the School Improvement Council) of parents and teachers at each building had the task of how best to expend the funds — \$3,050.00 at the Rose L. MacDonald School, \$2,400.00 at the Howard School. At Rose L. MacDonald the Council funded student/teacher productions and purchased educational equipment. At Howard the funds were used to refurbish the stage area (painting and a new curtain).

Located at the Howard School is the multiple handicapped program (CID), which is administered by project READS. Housed in two classrooms there are presently ten (10) students in the program — with integration in the daily activities of the school an ongoing process.

READS Academy located at the Spring Street School uses the Howard gymnasium two afternoons a week for their physical education program.

At both schools parent volunteers are involved with students and staff

members in a variety of ways. Volunteers assist staff with clerical tasks, help supervise field trips and provide small group instructional help in a number of classrooms. We thank all of our volunteers, K-6, for their dedication to the betterment of the educational program.

In closing, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all personnel associated with the Rose L. MacDonald and Howard Schools for their cooperation and assistance received during the school year.

Respectfully submitted
William M. Jones
Principal

Special Education

This year, there were many changes in the 766 Regulations which went into effect September 1, 1986. We are making every effort to comply with the new regulations, especially the new procedures required in the new Individual Education Plans (I.E.P.). To meet these needs, we have held several workshops for the staff to make everyone familiar with the new changes in the law.

At present, we are providing Special Education services to 195 students ages 3 to 22 years old. Twenty-one of these students are provided with special programs outside our school system. The tuition for some of these students has gone up considerably. Our projections in the budget for next year is \$148,000. This does not allow for any students being referred for outside placement or new students coming into our town.

I want to assure you that our goals will continue to provide services in the least restrictive environment and, when possible, return students to West Bridgewater Public Schools.

In response to legislation mandating the development of a Parent Advisory Council, letters were sent to each parent of the Special Needs students, notices were placed in newspapers inviting all parents to become involved in the formation and evaluation of Special Education programs. Coordinated by Michael McDavitt, Jr./Sr. High School Adjustment Counselor, and Nadine Nagele, School Psychologist, the first meeting was held in November featuring a speaker who informed the thirty parents in attendance of the function of such a council. A Needs Assessment was conducted which has set the direction of the council. Concerns are: the upcoming state evaluation, the annual L.E.A. Plan, implementing the recommendations of Dr. Williams' and Dr. Krein's evaluations, and the mutual support and exchange of information between parents of Special Needs students.

One very important aspect of Chapter 766 pertains to the role public schools must play in the screening and identification of 3 and 4 year old children who may have developmental or learning problems. In essence, the law mandates that a school district act to intervene before these children reach school age. The

point of directing such efforts toward children at the pre-school level rests on the premise that early intervention is the most effective means to ameliorate the effects of a disabling condition.

Last spring, Special Education Department applied for, and received, a grant from the Mass. Dept. of Education earmarked for Early Childhood services. The sum of \$3,000 obtained was applied through the spring and summer toward specific activities aimed at expanding and improving screening and outreach procedures and programs for children in West Bridgewater. With a portion of those monies, a consultant in early childhood special education was retained who then worked with our staff on program development and planning.

A portion of these monies was used in the selection and acquisition of a new standardized screening instrument, specifically created for pre-schoolers. Still another portion of the grant monies was used to fund a community-wide canvassing by mail, targeted exclusively to households with 3 and 4 year old children, to notify parents of the availability of screening services.

In the fall, the Special Education Dept. again made application for, and received, a grant from the Mass. Dept. of Education in the amount of \$750.00. These funds are to be used to further develop early childhood outreach and screening services. One example of this effort will be seen in an additional screening for pre-schoolers to be scheduled on a Saturday later this winter. It is hoped that this will accommodate those parents for whom a weekday screening would be difficult or impossible to arrange. Another product of this grant will be the printing and distribution of pamphlets containing information relative to child development, as well as the purpose and availability of screening services. These will be targeted to all households with pre-schoolers, to health care providers, and to nursery school/day care centers.

These efforts mark a progression in the further development and improvement of early childhood services in West Bridgewater. Continued attention will focus on community education regarding early childhood issues, as well as the linkage between the public school and independent agencies around the referral and servicing of 3 and 4 year olds having special needs.

The speech and Language Therapy Program in grades pre-school through 12 is available for children who exhibit significant delays in speech and language skills. The program is serviced by one full-time licensed Speech Therapist and one half-time Language Teacher. Fifty-five (55) children are currently being served in this program.

Students are seen in a small group and/or individually, with most receiving therapy once or twice a week. Sessions range from 30 to 45 minutes each. Students in therapy are pre-tested to determine current levels of functioning, and are post-tested after one year to measure progress.

Students in Speech/Language Therapy are working on any or all of the following: receptive and expressive language and vocabulary skills; auditory memory skills; conversational skills; voice therapy; improving speech fluency;

and correcting articulation errors. Ongoing consultation with staff and parents are an integral part of our services.

The following is a list of health services provided at Rose L. MacDonald School from September 1986, thru January 1987: vision and hearing screening on every student (316), did rescreening on 61 students who failed initial testing and followed up with a telephone call and note home to parents; screened each student for head lice, sent notices home and reinforced preventive measures; administered medication to students as prescribed by their physician; served 400 sick children; three home assessments were done; height and weight done on each student; teaching and reinforcing good health habits; constantly updating health records.

This past spring, we received a grant from the Commonwealth for a flouride program in grades 1-6. A newsrelease was put in the local paper and permission slips were sent home with each student. At present, there are 194 students at Rose L. MacDonald participating in the weekly flouride rinse.

The Alternative Program represents a setting for students currently unable to meet all requirements of the mainstream program in the areas of behavior and academics.

Students are given the opportunity to receive support in the academics needed for graduation and a chance to learn to behave in a mature and responsible fashion. This is accomplished through the use of a behavioral/academic level system, with responsible attitudes rewarded by attaining a higher level. Academic and behavioral progress are closely monitored by the Resource Specialist; Adjustment Counselor, and Vocational Counselor.

The School-to-Work Transitional Program has successfully begun its third year at the West Bridgewater and East Bridgewater High Schools. Funding was granted by the Massachusetts Dept. of Occupational Education for \$35,000. Project Employ is a cooperative effort between both schools.

The components of Project Employ consist of three main parts: Vocational Assessment and Counseling, Pre-Vocational Training, and Supervised Work study. Twenty-five West Bridgewater, and thirty-three East Bridgewater students are participating in this program.

The 1986-87 school year has witnessed "a bristling employment market for students". Many jobs are available to those students seeking work. Some employers, in their quest to fill openings, are offering unique incentives to part-time workers such as; above minimum hourly rates, the opportunity for college scholarship funds, and an offer of sick leave and vacation time.

A Special Education Steering Committee has been established by the Superintendent of Schools to review the special education programs in West Bridgewater and to act as a recommending body, particularly in the areas of: 1. The Annual L.E.A. Plan and the Special Education Booklet, 2. Assisting the Director of Special Education in preparing for the Compliance Review, and 3.

Considering the effectiveness of the Special Education Programs in the light of Dr. Williams' and Dr. Krein's reports.

The Steering Committee will review the entire Special Education offering with relation to present programs; their organization, status, and future utilization within the framework of need, desirability, and purpose in the school system and to recommend felt needs in these particular areas. The committee, composed of parents, teachers, a counselor, and an administrator, is Chaired by Roger Coelho.

After twelve years of faithful service, Mrs. Cole retired this year as the secretary of the Special Education Department. We are very fortunate to have Sharon Kilpatrick as her replacement. In a short time she has done extremely well with the office procedures and has kept up with the many changes in the 766 regulations.

In closing, I would like to thank all staff members for their effort to better serve the Special Needs children in West Bridgewater.

Sincerely yours,
Thomas Peters
Director, Special Education

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
WEST BRIDGEWATER
TOWN ACCOUNTANT

**Town of West Bridgewater
Balance Sheet
June 30, 1986**

ASSETS

Exhibit B

| | <u>GENERAL FUND</u> | <u>REVENUE SHARING</u> | <u>TRUST FUND</u> | <u>TOTAL (MEMO- RANDUM) (ONLY)</u> |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| CASH GENERAL | \$ 412,883 | \$ 834 | | \$ 413,717 |
| CASH INVESTED | 1,040,000 | 188,740 | \$201,265 | 1,430,005 |
| Total | 1,452,883 | 189,574 | 201,265 | 1,843,722 |
| | | | | |
| ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE (Exhibit F) | | | | |
| Real Estate | 220,688 | | | 220,688 |
| Tax titles | 50,923 | | | 50,923 |
| Personal Property | 9,669 | | | 9,669 |
| Motor vehicle excise | 110,510 | | | 110,510 |
| Boat and farm excise | 1,369 | | | 1,369 |
| Water | 137,142 | | | 137,142 |
| Miscellaneous | 5,694 | | | 5,694 |
| Total | 535,995 | | | 535,995 |
| Less: Provision for abatements | 79,768 | | | 79,768 |
| Total | 456,227 | | | 456,227 |
| | | | | |
| Tax Possessions | 11,498 | | | 11,498 |
| TOTAL | \$1,920,608 | \$189,574 | \$201,265 | \$2,311,447 |

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES

| | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| LIABILITIES | | | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ 265,540 | | | \$265,540 |
| Accrued payroll | 122,858 | | | 122,858 |
| Deferred revenue | 424,710 | | | 424,710 |
| Total Liabilities | <u>813,108</u> | | | <u>813,108</u> |
| FUND BALANCES | | | | |
| Revolving funds | 26,015 | | | 26,015 |
| Reserved for encumbrances | 78,014 | \$ 30,498 | | 108,512 |
| Reserved for unforeseen | | | | 0 |
| Expenditures | 70,038 | | | 70,038 |
| Expenditures unprovided for | (4,593) | | | 4,593) |
| Unreserved-Designated | 105,000 | | 201,265 | 306,265 |
| Reserved for appropriations | 335,934 | 210,000 | | 545,934 |
| Water revenue deficit | (79,239) | | | (79,239) |
| Unreserved | <u>576,331</u> | (50,924) | | <u>525,407</u> |
| Total Fund Balances | <u>1,107,500</u> | <u>189,574</u> | <u>201,265</u> | <u>1,498,339</u> |
| TOTAL | <u>\$1,920,608</u> | <u>\$189,574</u> | <u>\$201,265</u> | <u>\$2,311,447</u> |

| TOTAL (MEMO- RANDUM) (ONLY) | TRUST FUND | REVENUE SHARING | GENERAL FUND |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
|--|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|

**Combined Statement of Revenue Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Budget and Actual General and Revenue Sharing For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1986**

Exhibit C

| | GENERAL FUND | | | REVENUE SHARING | | | TOTALS (MEMORANDUM ONLY) | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|--------------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| | Actual | Budget | Over (Under) | Actual | Budget | Over (Under) | Actual | Budget | Over (Under) |
| Revenues: | | | | | | | | | |
| Taxes-Property | \$3,386,652 | \$3,433,992 | (\$47,340) | | | | \$3,386,652 | \$3,433,992 | (\$47,340) |
| Motor Vehicle Excise | 418,262 | 278,200 | 140,062 | | | | 418,262 | 278,200 | 140,062 |
| Tax Titles | 28,996 | | 28,996 | | | | 28,996 | | 28,996 |
| Water | 304,000 | 304,000 | 0 | | | | 304,000 | 304,000 | 0 |
| Intergovernmental | 1,865,817 | 1,879,111 | (13,294) | \$141,368 | \$170,000 | (\$28,632) | 2,049,185 | 2,049,111 | (41,926) |
| Local | 252,299 | 266,700 | (14,401) | | | | 252,299 | 266,700 | (14,401) |
| Interest | 116,434 | 105,400 | 11,034 | 10,999 | | 10,999 | 127,433 | 105,400 | 22,033 |
| From other Funds | 120,000 | 120,000 | | | | | 120,000 | 120,000 | |
| Total | 6,492,460 | 6,387,403 | 105,057 | 152,367 | 170,000 | (17,633) | 6,644,827 | 6,557,403 | 87,424 |
| Expenditures: | | | | | | | | | |
| General Government | 51,400 | 49,423 | 1,977 | | | | 51,400 | 49,423 | 1,977 |
| Financial Administration | 403,554 | 374,750 | 28,804 | 170,000 | | | 573,554 | 374,750 | 28,804 |
| Public Safety | 1,200,865 | 1,117,234 | 83,631 | | | | 1,200,865 | 1,117,234 | 83,631 |
| Education | 3,554,904 | 3,555,158 | (254) | | | | 3,554,904 | 3,555,158 | (254) |
| Highways | 440,031 | 405,838 | 34,193 | | | | 440,031 | 405,838 | 34,193 |
| Human Services | 63,510 | 79,432 | (15,922) | | | | 63,510 | 79,432 | (15,922) |
| Culture and Recreation | 98,809 | 98,467 | 342 | | | | 98,809 | 98,467 | 342 |
| Enterprise | 306,310 | 274,843 | 31,467 | | | | 306,310 | 274,843 | 31,467 |
| Debt Service | 212,463 | 227,440 | (14,977) | | 170,000 | | 212,463 | 397,440 | (14,977) |
| Intergovernmental | 170,702 | 170,702 | | | | | 170,702 | 170,702 | 0 |
| Other | 32,512 | 34,116 | (1,604) | | | | 32,512 | 34,116 | (1,604) |
| Total | 6,535,060 | 6,387,403 | 147,657 | 170,000 | 170,000 | | 6,705,060 | 6,557,403 | 147,657 |
| Excess Revenues over Expenditures | (42,600) | \$0 | (\$42,600) | (17,633) | 0 | | (60,233) | \$0 | (\$42,600) |
| Fund Balance July 1, 1985 | 723,931 | | | 6,709 | | | 730,640 | | |
| Designated 1987 Appropriations | (105,000) | | | | | | | | |
| Fund Balance June 30, 1986 | \$576,331 | | | (\$10,924) | | | \$565,407 | | |

**TRUST FUNDS
BALANCE SHEET**

June 30, 1986

Exhibit D

W.J. & A.C.
Howard

| | Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds | Drury Bell Scholarship | Stabilization Fund | Library Fund | W.J. & A.C. Howard Scholarship Fund | Totals |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--|-----------|
| ASSETS: | | | | | | |
| Cash | \$16,741 | \$663 | \$131,065 | \$47,028 | \$5,768 | \$201,265 |
| LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES | | | | | | |
| Fund Balances, Undesignated | \$16,741 | \$663 | \$131,605 | \$47,028 | \$5,768 | \$201,805 |

TRUST FUNDS

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1986**

Exhibit E

| | Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds | Drury Bell Scholarship | Stabilization Fund | Library Fund | W. J. & A. C. Howard Scholarship Fund | Totals |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--|------------------|
| Revenues | \$ 926 | \$ 32 | \$ 6,016 | \$ 2,521 | \$ 295 | \$ 9,790 |
| Transfer From Other Funds | | | 60,000 | | | 60,000 |
| Expenditures | <u>680</u> | | | <u>1,850</u> | <u>250</u> | <u>2,780</u> |
| Excess Revenue over Expenditures | 246 | 32 | 66,016 | 671 | 45 | 67,010 |
| Beginning Fund Balance | <u>16,495</u> | <u>631</u> | <u>65,049</u> | <u>46,357</u> | <u>5,723</u> | <u>134,255</u> |
| Ending Fund Balance | <u>\$16,741</u> | <u>\$663</u> | <u>\$131,065</u> | <u>\$47,028</u> | <u>\$5,768</u> | <u>\$201,265</u> |

**Town of West Bridgewater
Balance Sheet
Debt Accounts
June 30, 1986**

Exhibit F

NET FUNDED DEBT

\$365,000

| MATURITY | WATER | SCHOOL | TOTAL |
|-----------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1987 | \$30,000 | \$105,000 | \$135,000 |
| 1988 | 30,000 | 40,000 | 70,000 |
| 1989 | 30,000 | 40,000 | 70,000 |
| 1990 | 30,000 | | 30,000 |
| 1991 | 30,000 | | 30,000 |
| 1992 | 30,000 | | 30,000 |
| TOTAL | <u><u>\$180,000</u></u> | <u><u>\$185,000</u></u> | <u><u>\$365,000</u></u> |

TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER
SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
Year Ended June 30, 1986

Schedule C

| Account | Balance 7/1/85 | Appropriation FY 1986 | Transfers/ Receipts | Expenditures | Revenue | Balance To FY 1987 |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| General Government | | \$51,806 | \$3,503 | \$54,903 | \$406 | |
| Financial Administration | \$3,400 | 411,188 | 7,693 | 411,398 | 7,633 | \$3,250 |
| Public Safety | 3,256 | 1,208,216 | 18,728 | 1,160,471 | 7,184 | 62,545 |
| Education | | 3,555,158 | 294 | 3,539,648 | 254 | 15,550 |
| Highway and Streets | 6,000 | 463,483 | | 444,031 | 23,452 | 2,000 |
| Other Environmental | 8,996 | 40,825 | 4,165 | 31,859 | 6,031 | 16,096 |
| Human Services | | 81,556 | | 63,510 | 18,046 | |
| Culture and Recreation | 9,000 | 112,080 | 17 | 99,046 | 3,690 | 18,361 |
| Enterprise | 24,776 | 308,818 | 582 | 305,853 | 1,009 | 27,314 |
| Debt Service | | 227,440 | | 212,463 | 14,977 | |
| State and County Assessment | | 153,159 | | 155,045 | | (1,886) |
| Other | 224,099 | 40,420 | 546,387 | 556,639 | 37,434 | 216,833 |
| Total General Fund | 279,527 | 6,654,149 | 581,369 | 7,034,866 | 120,116 | 360,063 |
| Revenue Sharing | 32,498 | 170,000 | | 172,000 | | 30,498 |
| Total | \$312,025 | \$6,824,149 | \$581,369 | \$7,206,866 | \$120,116 | \$390,561 |

TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER
APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (Continued)
Year Ended June 30, 1986

Schedule C

| Account | Balance 7/1/85 | Appropriation FY 1986 | Transfers/ Receipts | Expenditures | To Revenue | Balance To FY 1987 |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| General Government: | | | | | | |
| Selectmen | | \$38,992 | \$2,083 | \$41,075 | | |
| Moderator | | 176 | | 176 | | |
| Finance Committee | | 100 | | 90 | 10 | |
| Election and Registration | | 7,538 | | 7,142 | 396 | |
| Town Reports | | 5,000 | 1,420 | 6,420 | | |
| | | <u>51,806</u> | <u>3,503</u> | <u>54,903</u> | <u>406</u> | |
| Financial Administration: | | | | | | |
| Accountant | | 13,057 | | 13,042 | 15 | |
| Assessor | | 23,041 | 112 | 23,153 | | |
| Treasurer/Collector | | 62,949 | | 62,443 | 506 | |
| Tax Lien Foreclosure | \$3,400 | | | 150 | | 3,250 |
| Clerk | | 24,467 | | 23,821 | 646 | |
| Clerk-Typewriter | | 4,000 | | 3,972 | 28 | |
| Law | | 16,500 | 5,005 | 21,505 | | |
| Reserve Fund | | 40,000 | | 33,562 | 6,438 | |
| Contributory Retirement | | 139,174 | | 139,174 | | |
| Insurance | | 88,000 | 2,576 | 90,576 | | |
| | <u>3,400</u> | <u>411,188</u> | <u>7,693</u> | <u>411,398</u> | <u>7,633</u> | <u>3,250</u> |

TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER
APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (Continued)
 Year Ended June 30, 1986

Schedule C

| Account | Balance 7/1/85 | Appropriation FY 1986 | Transfers/ Receipts | Expenditures | Revenue | Balance To FY 1987 |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| Public Safety: | | | | | | |
| Police | | \$646,395 | \$12,108 | \$658,672 | (\$169) | \$60,546 |
| Police Station - Addition | | 100,000 | | 39,454 | | |
| Police Cruisers | | 24,500 | | 24,432 | 68 | |
| Fire | | 314,965 | 6,152 | 321,117 | 0 | |
| Fire-Scott Air Pac | | 2,500 | | 2,313 | 187 | |
| Fire-Regulators | \$2,500 | | | 1,640 | 860 | |
| Right to Know Law | 756 | | | | | 756 |
| Tree Warden | | 73,903 | | 68,723 | 5,180 | |
| Tree Warden-Truck Repair | | 5,700 | | 4,457 | | 1,243 |
| Building Inspector | | 17,118 | | 16,182 | 936 | |
| Gas & Plumbing Inspector | 32,625 | 2,625 | 75 | 2,700 | 0 | |
| Wire Inspector | | 1,160 | | 1,160 | 0 | |
| Sealer of Weights & Measurers | | 950 | | 874 | 76 | |
| Civil Defense | | 415 | 250 | 650 | 15 | |
| Dog Officer | | 17,985 | 143 | 18,097 | 31 | |
| | <u>3,256</u> | <u>1,208,216</u> | <u>18,728</u> | <u>1,160,471</u> | <u>7,184</u> | <u>62,545</u> |

**TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER
APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (Continued)**

Year Ended June 30, 1986

Schedule C

| Account | Balance 7/1/85 | Appropriation FY 1986 | Transfers/ Receipts | Expenditures | Revenue | Balance To FY 1987 |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------|--------------------------|
| Education: | | | | | | |
| School | | 3,511,195 | | 3,510,942 | 253 | |
| State Aided Vocational Education | | 1,475 | | 1,474 | 1 | |
| Regional | | 22,488 | 294 | 22,782 | | |
| School Roof Construction | | 20,000 | | 4,450 | | 15,550 |
| | | 3,555,158 | 294 | 3,539,648 | 254 | 15,550 |
| Highway and Streets: | | | | | | |
| Highway | | \$391,383 | | \$380,435 | \$10,948 | |
| Highway Truck | | 15,000 | | 15,000 | | |
| Highway Sander | | 7,000 | | 6,250 | 750 | |
| Street Lights | | 50,000 | | 39,597 | 10,403 | |
| Forest Street | \$2,000 | | | | | 2,000 |
| Engineering Services | 4,000 | 100 | | | 100 | |
| Parking Lot Island | 6,000 | | | 2,749 | 1,251 | |
| | | 463,483 | | 444,031 | 23,452 | 2,000 |

TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER
APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (Continued)
Year Ended June 30, 1986

Schedule C

| Account | Balance 7/1/85 | Appropriation FY 1986 | Transfers/ Receipts | Expenditures | Revenue | Balance To FY 1987 |
|---------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------|---------|--------------------------|
| Other Environmental: | | | | | | |
| Appeals Board | | 600 | 1,000 | 1,592 | 8 | |
| Planning Board | | 3,325 | | 1,178 | 2,147 | |
| Town Hall | | 19,274 | 3,157 | 22,331 | 100 | |
| Town Hall Painting | | 7,500 | | 400 | | 7,100 |
| Industrial Development | | 100 | | | 100 | |
| IDC Finance Authority | | 100 | | | 100 | |
| Conservation Commission | | 3,000 | | 134 | 2,866 | |
| Equipment Fund | 8,996 | | | | | 8,996 |
| By Law Study | | 500 | | | 500 | |
| Building Use | | 300 | | | 300 | |
| Prior Year Old Bills | | 6,126 | 8 | 6,224 | (90) | |
| | 8,996 | 40,825 | 4,165 | 31,859 | 6,031 | 16,096 |
| Human Services: | | | | | | |
| Health | | 27,497 | | 26,425 | 1,072 | |
| Multi-Health | | 1,990 | | 1,990 | | |
| Council on Aging | | 16,581 | | 15,757 | 824 | |
| Rape Crisis Center | | 1,200 | | 1,200 | | |
| Handicapped Affairs | | 200 | | | 200 | |
| County Aid to Agriculture | | 125 | | | | |
| Veterans Services | | 33,963 | | 18,013 | 15,950 | |
| | | 81,556 | | 63,510 | 18,046 | |

TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER
APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (Continued)

Year Ended June 30, 1986

Schedule C

| Account | Balance 7/1/85 | Appropriation FY 1986 | Transfers/ Receipts | Expenditures | Revenue | To FY 1987 | Balance To FY 1987 |
|----------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| Culture and Recreation: | | | | | | | |
| Library | | \$90,427 | | \$88,788 | \$1,639 | | |
| Library-Photo Copy Machine | | 2,000 | | 1,395 | 605 | | |
| Library-Book Box | | 1,200 | | 651 | 549 | | |
| Library-Expansion | | 12,000 | | | | | 12,000 |
| Christmas Decorations | | 500 | | 500 | | | |
| Memorial/Veterans Day | | 500 | | 400 | 100 | | |
| Memorial Field | | 500 | | 289 | 211 | | |
| Recreation | | 4,103 | \$17 | 4,120 | | | |
| Historical Commissions | | 100 | | 47 | 53 | | |
| Cablevision Commission | | 550 | | 22 | 528 | | |
| Tennis Courts | | 200 | | 195 | 5 | | |
| Memorial Park-Repairs | \$3,000 | | | | | | 3,000 |
| Memorial Park-Repairs | 2,500 | | | | | | 2,500 |
| Memorial Park-Restoration | 3,500 | | | | | | 861 |
| | <u>9,000</u> | <u>112,080</u> | <u>17</u> | <u>99,046</u> | <u>3,690</u> | | <u>18,361</u> |

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 Year Ended June 30, 1986

Schedule C

| Account | Balance 7/1/85 | Appropriation FY 1986 | Transfers/ Receipts | Expenditures | Revenue | Balance To FY 1987 |
|------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| Enterprise: | | | | | | |
| Water | | 187,163 | 327 | 187,490 | | |
| Water-Backhoe | | 32,367 | | 32,367 | | |
| Water-Van | | 16,000 | | 15,962 | 38 | |
| Water-Radio | | 633 | | 633 | | |
| Water-Pole Barn | | 1,500 | | 1,500 | | |
| Water-Meters | | 5,000 | | 4,480 | 520 | |
| Water-Test Wells | | 20,000 | | | | \$20,000 |
| Water-Pumping Stations | 10,476 | 10,000 | | 17,962 | | 2,514 |
| Water-Site Search | | 10,000 | 255 | 10,255 | | |
| Water-Site Search | | 3,500 | | | | 3,500 |
| Replace Two Mains | | 20,000 | | 20,000 | | |
| Water-Equipment | | 2,655 | | 2,480 | 175 | |
| Water-Truck | 1,300 | | | | | 1,300 |
| Water-Equipment | 7,000 | | | 6,857 | 143 | |
| Water-Computer | 6,000 | | | 5,867 | 133 | |
| | <u>24,776</u> | <u>308,818</u> | <u>582</u> | <u>305,853</u> | <u>1,009</u> | <u>27,314</u> |
| Debt Service: | | | | | | |
| Bonds and Interest | | 227,440 | | 212,463 | 14,977 | |

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APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (Continued)
 Year Ended June 30, 1986

Schedule C

| Account | Balance 7/1/85 | Appropriation FY 1986 | Transfers/ Receipts | Expenditures | To Revenue | Balance To FY 1987 |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| State and County Assessments: | | | | | | |
| County Tax | | \$74,823 | | \$73,681 | | \$1,142 |
| Recreation Areas | | 4 | | | | 4 |
| Air Pollution | | 1,121 | | 1,121 | | |
| Mosquito Control | | 6,594 | | 6,594 | | |
| Motor Excise Bills | | 1,100 | | 1,100 | | |
| Retired Teachers | | 59,521 | | 59,521 | | |
| Old Colony Planning Council | | 1,272 | | 1,304 | | (32) |
| Special Education | | 8,724 | | 11,724 | | (3,000) |
| Total | | <u>153,159</u> | | <u>155,045</u> | | <u>(1,886)</u> |
| Other: | | | | | | |
| Trust Funds | \$1,437 | | \$2,780 | 2,780 | | 1,437 |
| Special Reserve Funds | 222,662 | 40,420 | 543,607 | 553,859 | \$37,434 | 215,396 |
| Total | <u>224,099</u> | <u>40,420</u> | <u>546,387</u> | <u>556,639</u> | <u>37,434</u> | <u>216,833</u> |
| Federal Revenue Sharing: | | | | | | |
| Highway drainage | 30,498 | | | 2,000 | | 30,498 |
| Library expansion | 2,000 | 170,000 | | 170,000 | | 0 |
| Insurance | | | | | | |
| Total | <u>32,498</u> | <u>170,000</u> | | <u>172,000</u> | | <u>30,498</u> |

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| Council on Aging | 100 |
| Dog Officer | 76 |
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| Town Officers | 7 |
| Town Treasurer | 81 |
| Trustees for County Cooperative Extension Service | 75 |
| Veterans Service | 68 |
| Visiting Nurse Association | 102 |
| Water Department | 64 |
| Wire Inspector | 78 |

OFFICE HOURS FOR TOWN OFFICES

| | |
|------------------------------|---|
| Assessors | Daily 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:00 - 9:00 |
| Board of Health | 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. |
| Planning Board | 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. |
| Selectmen | Daily 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Reg. Meetings: Monday 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. |
| Tax Collector & Treasurer | Daily 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. |
| Town Clerk | Daily 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. |
| Veterans' Services | Daily 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Monday thru Thursday |
| Water Department | Daily 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. |

Telephone Numbers

SELECTMEN'S 586-1394

CONNECTING ALL TOWN OFFICES:

588-4820 588-4854

ASSESSOR'S 588-6740

WATER DEPARTMENT 583-0813

FIRE DEPARTMENT

ONLY in case of fire — call 586-3232
(Give name, address and type of fire)

For permits to burn — call 586-4137

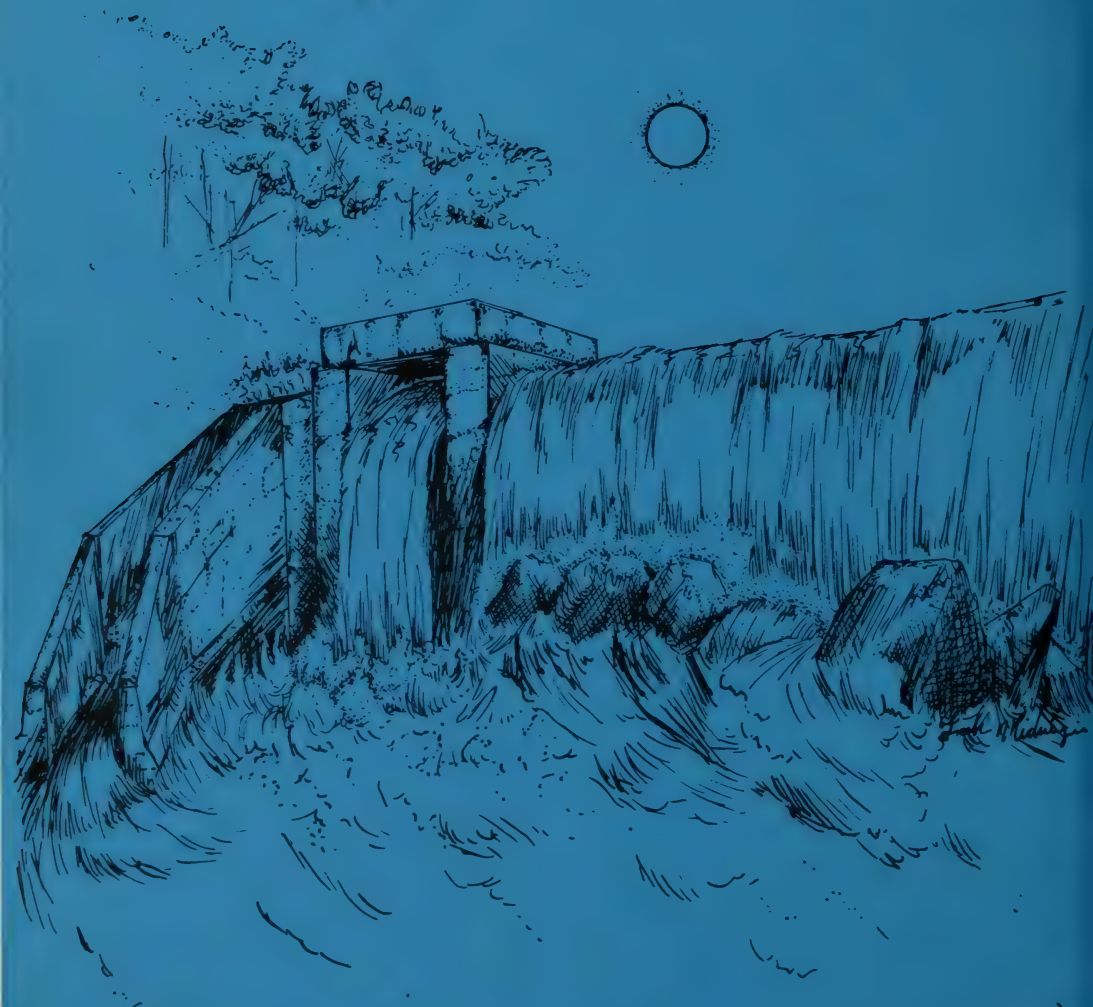
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POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Call this number — day or night 586-2525

DOG OFFICER 584-8998

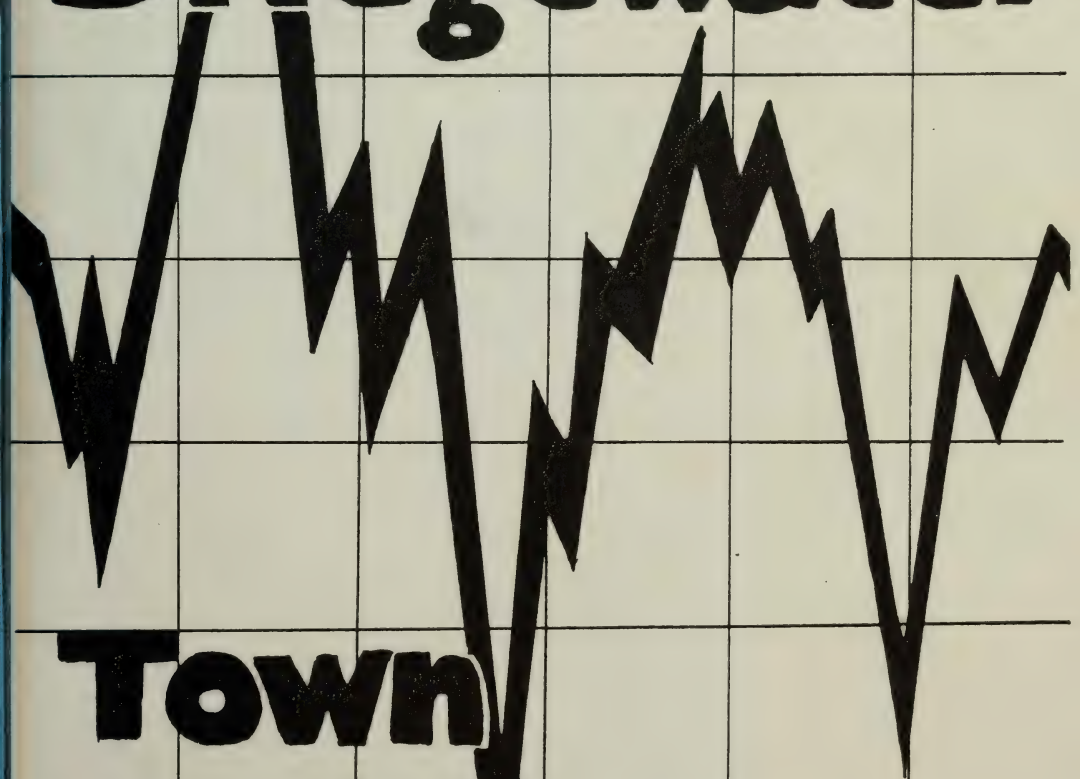
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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Town Officers and Committees
OF THE TOWN OF
WEST BRIDGEWATER



For the Year Ending December 31
1987

DEDICATION

This Annual Report is dedicated to the devoted volunteers who generously give of their time, energies and resources to West Bridgewater. This tribute is an acknowledgment of their indispensable contributions to our community and a symbol of our sincere appreciation.

And to others, let this dedication serve as an invitation to become a volunteer for the Town of West Bridgewater.

In Memoriam

H. Page Conant
Finance Committee
1981-1983

Paul Sargent
Teacher-Coach
West Bridgewater Junior-Senior High School
9/1/64-6/30/87

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen hereby submits its 166th Annual Report.

1987 was a challenging and productive year for the Town of West Bridgewater.

After several months of interviewing by the Search Committee for the Administrative Assistant, the Board of Selectmen, effective July 1, appointed Doris Haight the Town's first Administrative Assistant to the Board. This position is partially funded by a three-year grant from the Executive Office of Communities and Development.

In September Steven Crawford of Carver was appointed full-time Building Inspector. Mr. Crawford is knowledgeable and experienced. We welcome him to West Bridgewater.

The Board gratefully acknowledges the generous assistance of Dennis Machado of Raynham who acted as temporary Building Inspector for the many months the Town was without an inspector.

Upon the resignation of Board member Charles Pickering, a Special Election was scheduled for August 15. Upon winning this election Robert L. Smith, a former selectman and long-time member of the Finance Committee, joined the board.

Town Accountant Joseph Kameese tendered his resignation effective September 30 which the Board accepted with regret. The Selectmen appointed Arthur Cabral, CPA, of Whitman, Town Accountant effective December 14. Mr. Cabral has an extensive accounting background. The Town is fortunate to have the services of such a capable individual. We would like to thank former Town Accountant Arthur Chaves for his assistance during the transition.

As authorized by the Annual Town Meeting the Selectmen engaged the services of Thomas Planning Services, Inc. to assist the By-Law Study Committee to evaluate and re-write the Town's by-laws. We anticipate completion of the project by mid 1988. The Board thanks the members of the By-Law Committee for their hard work and commitment. At the October Special Town Meeting \$50,000 was appropriated to begin the computerization of the Town Hall. The Board acknowledges the efforts of the Computer Study Committee. This Committee has worked diligently with the department heads to make this long-term goal a reality. We anticipate that the Treasurer/Collector's office and the Accountant's functions will be on line July 1, 1988.

The Selectmen signed a contract with Gaffney Architects, Inc. for architectural services for the new library authorized by the Annual Town Meeting and, with the Library Trustees, jointly appointed a Building Committee to oversee the project.

During 1987 the Town experienced a significant growth in commercial and industrial development. In an effort to relieve some of the attendant traffic problems at two sites, the Board first accepted the engineering and construction services from the Mirrione Corporation at the location of Howard Farm Marketplace. West Center Street was widened to provide for "left turn only"

lanes both east and westbound. The Selectmen also accepted from Eastern Utilities Corporation the engineering, signalization and road reconstruction at the EUA main entrance and West Center Street. Both of these projects were completed at no cost to the Town.

The Board of Selectmen, upon recommendation of the Assessors, implemented Classification of property for the first time resulting in a 25% shift of the tax burden from residential and open space (R&O) to Commercial, Industrial and Personal Property (CIP) for Fiscal 87/88.

In October, 1987 Selectmen officiated at a ceremony dedicating a plaque at War Memorial Park honoring Eveline Johnson who designed the park. The Selectmen also presided at the ribbon cutting ceremony July 25 which marked the official opening of the new Police Station facility. We publicly commend the efforts of the Building Committee members, Leonard Bucci, George V. Hollertz, Charles H. Johnson, William Johnson, David Meade and Robert L. Smith in bringing this project to a most satisfactory conclusion.

The October Special Town Meeting appropriated a sum of money for the paving of the Town Hall parking lot. The first course has been applied. The project will be completed in the Spring. We would like to thank St. Anne's parish for its donation of \$1,000.

The Town Meeting also appropriated \$50,000 for the maintenance and repair of municipal buildings. The Municipal Building Needs and Use Committee has established a priority list of projects which include the foundation for the donated building from Cumberland Farms for Highway use, the overhead doors at the Fire Station, the repair or replacement of the roof at the Fire Station and repairs to the Town Hall. With the assistance of the Committee, we hope to have several of these projects completed by mid 1988.

1987 was filled with financial uncertainties. The difficulties did not resolve themselves until the property revaluation revealed over \$21,000,000 in new construction. This added \$467,000 to the maximum levy under Proposition 2½. We were able to make significant investments in capital projects for the long-term benefit of the Town.

The coming year, however, sees a modest growth in state-aid and approximately \$10,000,000 in new construction. Free cash as of 7/1/87 at a low of \$218,000, the Snow Account effectively spent, solid waste disposal costs spiraling to \$300,000 and public safety costs over budget. All of this promises to make 1988 as difficult and unpredictable as 1987.

The Selectmen take this opportunity to thank all of the dedicated people who serve the Town as elected and appointed officials and as public employees. We also thank you, the citizens of West Bridgewater, for your input and your support.

Judith A. Kinney, *Chairman*
Eldon F. Moreira, *Clerk*
Robert L. Smith

Statistics Of The Town of West Bridgewater

1980—Federal Census—7152

1987—Town Census—6871

Total Registered Voters—3706

Republican 525

PRECINCT 1
Democrat 516

Unenrolled 955

Republican 365

PRECINCT 2
Democrat 380

Unenrolled 965

Number of Residences—2278

Area of Town—15.75 Square Miles

60.02 Miles of Water Mains

Local Road Mileage 68

COUNCILLOR—FIRST DISTRICT
John Britland

SENATOR—2nd PLYMOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT
Edward P. Kirby

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT
10th PLYMOUTH DISTRICT
Michael C. Creedon

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
11th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
Brian Donnelly

1988

Town Meeting—April 11

Town Election—April 16

Town Officers for 1987

MODERATOR

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|------------------|---------|--------------|
| John C. Eldridge | 1987 | 1988 |

TOWN CLERK

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|---------------|---------|--------------|
| Anna E. Brown | 1985 | 1988 |

SELECTMEN

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|---------------------------------|---------|--------------|
| Judith A. Kinney | 1985 | 1988 |
| Charles A. Pickering (Resigned) | 1986 | 1987 |
| Robert L. Smith | 1987 | 1989 |
| Eldon F. Moreira | 1987 | 1990 |

ASSESSORS

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|------------------|---------|--------------|
| Gary A. Boyd | 1985 | 1988 |
| DeSales J. Heath | 1986 | 1989 |
| Irving W. Puffer | 1987 | 1990 |

TREASURER/COLLECTOR

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|-----------------------|---------|--------------|
| Elizabeth L. Zamaitis | 1987 | 1990 |

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|-----------------------|---------|--------------|
| Kathleen Fenstermaker | 1985 | 1988 |
| Helen S. Millet | 1985 | 1988 |
| Paul G. Galvin | 1987 | 1989 |
| Cheryl D. Kennedy | 1987 | 1989 |
| James L. Grandfield | 1987 | 1990 |
| Robert Wayne Legge | 1987 | 1990 |

REGIONAL-VOCATIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|-----------------|---------|--------------|
| Eugene Kostecki | 1987 | 1990 |

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|--------------------|---------|--------------|
| Paul Curnutte | 1985 | 1988 |
| Betty Alden Miller | 1985 | 1988 |
| Joseph A. Kennedy | 1986 | 1989 |
| William P. Oakhem | 1987 | 1989 |
| Linda A. Santry | 1987 | 1990 |
| Frederick M. Fitch | 1987 | 1990 |

WATER COMMISSIONERS

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|--------------------------------|---------|--------------|
| Donald G. Asack | 1987 | 1988 |
| David L. Churchill (Appointed) | 1987 | 1988 |
| Donald N. Davock (Resigned) | 1986 | 1989 |
| John W. Noyes | 1987 | 1990 |

TREE WARDEN

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|--------------------|---------|--------------|
| Philip D. MacQuinn | 1986 | 1989 |

CONSTABLES

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|------------------|---------|--------------|
| Raymond L. Silva | 1986 | 1989 |
| Walter Thayer | 1986 | 1989 |

BOARD OF HEALTH

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|-----------------|---------|--------------|
| Edward F. Cruz | 1985 | 1988 |
| Marie T. Bagley | 1986 | 1989 |
| James B. Howell | 1987 | 1990 |

PLANNING BOARD

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|-------------------------|---------|--------------|
| Grete Bohannon | 1985 | 1988 |
| Stephen P. Wood | 1984 | 1989 |
| Howard Anderson | 1985 | 1990 |
| Hugh R. Hurley | 1987 | 1991 |
| Joseph L. McMorrow, Sr. | 1987 | 1992 |

HOUSING AUTHORITY

| | Elected | Term Expires |
|------------------------------|---------|--------------|
| Marion H. Bartell (By State) | 1983 | 1988 |
| Richard Williams | 1984 | 1989 |
| Carl R. Bystrom | 1985 | 1990 |
| Robert Kellie | 1986 | 1991 |
| Albert Greiner | 1987 | 1992 |

Officers Appointed by the Selectmen

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Doris Haight

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Joseph H. Kameese — Resigned

Arthur S. Cabral

ADMINISTRATOR OF INSURANCE

Eldon F. Moreira

Ronald P. Gerhart

APPEAL BOARD

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| William E. Turner, Jr. | 1985 | 1988 |
| Harry Ketler | 1985 | 1990 |
| Henry Podolsky | 1986 | 1989 |
| James Wolfsberg | 1987 | 1991 |
| George O. Merritt | 1987 | 1992 |

Associate Members:

Michael Feresten

1987

1988

William E. Lucini

1987

1989

ARTS LOTTERY COUNCIL

| | | | |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------------|-----------|
| Donald Adams | 1987-1989 | Elizabeth Muckenthaler | 1986-1988 |
| Cheryl Adams | 1987-1989 | Karen Moran | 1987-1989 |
| Paul R. Brown | 1986-1988 | Theodore Nystrom | 1987-1989 |
| William McCann | 1986-1988 | Carolyn LePage | 1987-1989 |
| Elizabeth McMahan | 1986-1988 | | |

BAY CIRCUIT GREEN BELT COMMITTEE

Howard Hayward, Rep.

Conservation Commission

Historical Commission

BROCKTON AREA MENTAL HEALTH & RETARDATION REPRESENTATIVE

Lana Robbins

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Steven D. Crawford

BY-LAW STUDY COMMITTEE

Paul Curnette

David W. Lacy

Claire Davock

Neil Manzer

John C. Eldridge

Joseph McMorro, Sr.

Marlene A. Howell

Paul J. Sheedy

Gerald Stetson

Karen Johnson

Richard McMahan

CABLE TELEVISION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|--------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Richard J. Bagley | 1985 | 1988 |
| John Newell | 1987 | 1988 |
| Herbert P. Billett | 1987 | 1989 |
| Julio Miglierini | 1987 | 1989 |
| Peter Turner | 1987 | 1989 |

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|----------------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Michael Manugian, Director | 1986 | 1987 |
| Ronald P. Snell, Deputy Director | 1986 | 1987 |

CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY

Artemis Bucci

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|-------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Linda Green | 1985 | 1988 |
| John A. Dacey | 1986 | 1989 |
| Thomas Driscoll | 1987 | 1989 |
| Joseph Souza | 1987 | 1989 |
| Howard M. Hayward | 1987 | 1989 |

COUNCIL ON AGING

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Joseph McMorrow, Sr. | 1985 | 1988 |
| Beth I. Burgess | 1985 | 1988 |
| David J. Cohen | 1985 | 1988 |
| Mildred H. Lucier | 1985 | 1988 |
| Edwin S. Grover | 1985 | 1987 |
| Robert Bolger | 1986 | 1989 |
| Lloyd A. Sears | 1986 | 1989 |
| Doris Sandrock | 1986 | 1989 |
| Kenneth B. Hollis | 1987 | 1990 |
| Samuel Feinberg | 1987 | 1990 |
| Marjorie E. MacDonald | 1987 | 1990 |
| Virginia T. Michaels | 1987 | 1990 |

DATA PROCESSING COMMITTEE

Frederick Baker, Jr. Marion Loughman
Shelly Leibowitz Charles Pye
Warren E. Turner

DOG OFFICER

Julie A. Vivace

DRURY BELL COMMITTEE

Marjorie E. MacDonald Judith A. Kinney
Robert L. Smith Eldon F. Moreira

ENERGY COORDINATOR

George Miller

FENCE VIEWERS

Joseph Souza Marilyn Raleigh Hugh Hurley

FIELD DRIVERS

George Kinney Howard A. Anderson George E. Richardson

FIRE CHIEF

Charles Dyke

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Charles Dyke

HANDICAPPED COMMISSION

Russell Bump James C. Barber Virginia Michael

HAZARDOUS WASTE COORDINATOR

Charles Dyke

HERITAGE CAPSULE CUSTODIANS

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Marjorie E. MacDonald | 1984 | 1987 |
| Kenneth A. Turner | 1985 | 1988 |
| Charles A. Pickering | 1986 | 1989 |

HERRING WARDEN

Philip C. Tuck

DEPUTY HERRING WARDENS

Thomas B. MacQuinn Joseph Souza

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|--------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Lucia Marcotte | 1984 | 1987 |
| Karen Hofman | 1984 | 1987 |
| Susan Cross | 1985 | 1988 |
| Philip Anderson | 1987 | 1988 |
| Lawrence D. Conant | 1986 | 1989 |

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

| | Term Expires |
|------------------------|--------------|
| David L. Churchill | 1988 |
| William E. Turner, Jr. | 1989 |
| Thomas Phelan | 1990 |
| Donald I. MacIver | 1991 |

ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

| | |
|------------------|------|
| Charles Higgins | 1989 |
| Samuel Read, Jr. | 1990 |

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

| | Term Expires |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| Robert L. Smith (Resigned) | 1988 |
| Madelyn T. Burke | 1989 |
| Donald L. MacIver | 1990 |
| Peter McPhail | 1991 |
| Joseph L. McMorrow, Sr. | 1992 |

INSPECTOR OF WIRES

Albert Greiner

LOCKUP KEEPER

Walter Thayer

MEMORIAL FIELD COMMITTEE

| | | |
|---------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Robert Splitz | William R. Brown, Sr. | Thomas Roulstone |
|---------------|-----------------------|------------------|

MEMORIAL AND VETERANS' DAY COMMITTEE

| | |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| William R. Brown, Sr. | Emmet Miller |
| Francis J. Boyd | Richard McMahan |

MOBILE HOME PARK RENT CONTROL

| | |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| Charles R. Barros | 1987-1988 |
| Leno Volta | 1987-1988 |
| Joseph Souza | 1987-1989 |
| Patricia A. Cheromcka | 1987-1989 |
| Robert McKean, Jr. | 1987-1990 |

MULTI-HEALTH SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

Madeline F. Fallon

OCPC AREA AGENCY ON AGING

William R. Brown, Sr. Kenneth Hollis, Alternate

OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL, 3 yrs.

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Eldon F. Moreira | 1986 | 1989 |

OLD COLONY ELDERLY SERVICES

Edward C. Svenson David Cohen, Alternate

OLD COLONY OVERALL ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM REPRESENTATIVE

George V. Hollertz, Jr.

OLD COLONY SOLID WASTE

John C. Eldridge

PARKING CLERK

Judith A. Kinney

PIC DESIGNEE

PLYMOUTH COUNTY ADVISORY

BUDGET DESIGNEE

Eldon F. Moreira

PLUMBING AND GAS INSPECTOR

Joseph Donovan

CHIEF OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Ervin G. Lothrop

PEST CONTROL SUPERINTENDENT, 3 yrs.

Philip D. MacQuinn

RECREATION COMMISSION

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Colleen Lawrence | 1987 | 1988 |
| Barbara Kuzmack | 1987 | 1988 |
| Bernice Breer | 1987 | 1989 |
| Joseph Gareri | 1985 | 1990 |
| Mary Lou Jenness | 1986 | 1991 |

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|-----------------|-----------|--------------|
| Francis J. Boyd | 1985 | 1988 |
| John Sillars | 1986 | 1989 |
| Lance R. Ohlson | 1987 | 1990 |

REPRESENTATIVE TO SELF-HELP, INC.

Donald Shurtleff

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Donald E. Newman

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Herbert A. Wolfer

TENNIS COMMITTEE

Donald A. Fisher

Nancy M. Consolazio

Frank Miller

Marianne Lorrain

Marlene A. Howell

TOWN COUNSEL

John P. Lee

TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

Thomas B. MacQuinn

Craig Harding

Richard E. Norris

VETERAN'S AGENT

Armen Amerigian

Appointments by Moderator

COMMITTEE TO APPOINT A FINANCE COMMITTEE

Warren E. Turner
Marion Loughman
Michael Manugian
Paul Sheedy
Henry Bishop

STREET LIGHTING COMMITTEE

John B. Sillars
Arthur Steptoe
James F. Purpura
Raymond L. Silva
John Daly

MUNICIPAL BUILDING NEEDS AND USE COMMITTEE

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|-------------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Joseph A. Kennedy | 1985 | 1987 |
| Henry Podolsky | 1985 | 1987 |
| John F. Bottini | 1985 | 1988 |
| Richard H. McMahon | 1985 | 1988 |
| Joseph L. McMorrow, Sr. | 1986 | 1989 |

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT PLANNING COMMITTEE

Thomas F. Kelley
Paul Curnutte
William P. Bystrom

Appointments by Board of Health

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Leo F. Moroni

BOARD OF HEALTH PHYSICIAN

Dr. Joseph F. Calitri

BURIAL AGENT

Anna E. Brown

Appointments by Chief of Fire Department

DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF

Leonard T. Hunt

DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS

| | |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| Paul R. Lanoue | Thomas B. MacQuinn |
| Leonard T. Hunt | Allen A. Breer |
| Richard W. Gibson | Paul Golder |
| Charles A. Dyke | Thomas Dunlevy |

FINANCE COMMITTEE

| | Appointed | Term Expires |
|-----------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Charles J. Loycano | 1985 | 1988 |
| John G. Wojciechowski | 1986 | 1988 |
| Frederick A. McPeak | 1986 | 1989 |
| Donald A. Miller | 1987 | 1989 |
| William D. Pope | 1987 | 1988 |
| Sonja A. Bolmant | 1987 | 1988 |
| Sylvia Kostecki | 1987 | 1990 |
| Lee Renaud (Resigned 10/87) | 1987 | 1990 |
| Joanne M. Kelley | 1987 | 1990 |

Miscellaneous Licenses Issued

Following monies received in Town Clerk's Office and paid to the Treasurer:

| | |
|---|---------------|
| Miscellaneous | 44,444.74 |
| Dog Licenses | 3,774.00 |
| Fish & Game Fees | <u>128.48</u> |
| Total | 48,347.22 |
| Fish and Game Licenses Paid to Division of Fish and Wildlife | 4,221.75 |

A True Copy,
Attest: Anna E. Brown, CMC
Town Clerk

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Annual Town Election April 18, 1987

The Annual Town Election was held at the Spring Street School on Saturday, April 18, 1987. The Warrant issued by the Selectmen was posted by the Constable, Raymond L. Silva on April 8, 1987 in accordance with the provisions of the Town By-Laws.

Specimen Ballots, cards of instructions and abstracts of the laws imposing penalties upon voters were posted as required by the laws of the Commonwealth.

The polls were opened at 9 a.m. The ballot boxes in both precincts were inspected and the registers set at 0000. A total of 2,500 ballots were given to the Wardens John Sillars and Charles E. Johnson and receipt given to the Town Clerk for the same.

At the close of the polls at 8 p.m. the ballot box registers showed the following number of ballots cast:

| | |
|-------------|------------|
| Precinct I | 774 |
| Precinct II | <u>592</u> |
| Total | 1366 |

The following workers were sworn in:

Precinct I: Charles H. Johnson, Warden; Edythe Baker, Clerk; Natalie Beaulier, Mary Cruz, Helen Johnson, Joyce Nystrom, Checkers; Helen Souza, Theresa Boardman, Frances Leadbetter, Joanne Stock, Joan McAndrew, Katherine Diebel, Barbara Cohen, Alice Richardson, Counters & Observers; Total Tally, William R. Brown, Jr. and Joseph Souza.

Precinct II: John Sillars, Warden; Warren Laughton, Clerk; Shirley Almquist, Jon Ohlson, Paula Turner, Audrey Johnson, Checkers; Catherine Chaves, Karolyn Boyd, Marie Bagley, Lillian Dias, Elaine Laughton, Ann Long, Counters and Observers; Dorothy Williams, Claire Davock, Tally.

| | PREC. I | PREC. II | TOTAL |
|------------------------------------|---------|----------|-------|
| MODERATOR, 1 yr. | | | |
| John C. Eldridge | 493 | 642 | 1135 |
| Blanks | 99 | 132 | 231 |
| John C. Eldridge declared elected. | | | |
| SELECTMAN, 3 yrs. | | | |
| Eldon F. Moreira | 380 | 499 | 879 |
| Joseph L. McMorrow, Jr. | 185 | 249 | 434 |
| Blanks | 27 | 26 | 53 |
| Eldon F. Moreira declared elected. | | | |

ASSESSORS, 3 yrs.

| | | | |
|------------------|-----|-----|------|
| Irving W. Puffer | 446 | 591 | 1037 |
| Blanks | 146 | 183 | 329 |

Irving W. Puffer declared elected.

TREASURER/COLLECTOR, 3 yrs.

| | | | |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|------|
| Elizabeth L. Zamaitis | 488 | 651 | 1139 |
| Blanks | 104 | 123 | 227 |

Elizabeth L. Zamaitis declared elected.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY, 3 yrs.

| | | | |
|---------------------|-----|-----|------|
| James L. Grandfield | 441 | 585 | 1026 |
| Robert W. Legge | 441 | 570 | 1011 |
| Blanks | 302 | 393 | 695 |

James L. Grandfield and Robert W. Legge declared elected.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY, 2 yrs.

| | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|------|
| Cheryl D. Kennedy | 458 | 594 | 1052 |
| Blanks | 134 | 180 | 314 |

Cheryl D. Kennedy declared elected.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 3 yrs.

| | | | |
|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Linda S. Santry | 425 | 530 | 955 |
| Frederick M. Fitch | 369 | 483 | 852 |
| Blanks | 390 | 535 | 925 |

Linda S. Santry and Frederick M. Fitch declared elected.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 2 yrs.

| | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|------|
| William P. Oakhem | 449 | 576 | 1025 |
| Blanks | 143 | 198 | 341 |

William P. Oakhem declared elected.

WATER COMMISSIONER, 3 yrs.

| | | | |
|---------------|-----|-----|------|
| John W. Noyes | 474 | 623 | 1097 |
| Blanks | 118 | 151 | 269 |

John W. Noyes declared elected.

WATER COMMISSIONER, 1 yr.

| | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-----|------|
| Donald G. Asack | 492 | 639 | 1131 |
| Blanks | 100 | 135 | 235 |

Donald G. Asack declared elected.

BOARD OF HEALTH, 3 yrs.

| | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Ronald C. Broman | 123 | 147 | 270 |
| James B. Howell | 358 | 416 | 774 |
| Gerald E. Stetson | 87 | 164 | 251 |
| Blanks | 24 | 47 | 71 |

James B. Howell declared elected.

PLANNING BOARD, 5 yrs.

| | | | |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| George O. Colp | 210 | 378 | 588 |
| Joseph F. McMorrow, Sr. | 311 | 333 | 644 |
| Blanks | 71 | 83 | 133 |

Joseph F. McMorrow, Sr. declared elected.

PLANNING BOARD, 4 yrs.

| | | | |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Fred R. Adams | 193 | 194 | 387 |
| Hugh R. Hurley | 222 | 324 | 546 |
| David T. Rice | 132 | 180 | 312 |
| Blanks | 45 | 76 | 121 |

Hugh R. Hurley declared elected.

HOUSING AUTHORITY, 5 yrs.

| | | | |
|----------------|-----|-----|------|
| Albert Greiner | 464 | 609 | 1073 |
| Blanks | 128 | 165 | 293 |

Albert Greiner declared elected.

Question #1. (Override 2½ for Public Library)

| | | | |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|
| Yes | 219 | 305 | 524 |
| No | 305 | 445 | 782 |
| Blanks | 36 | 24 | 60 |

A true copy:
Attest: Anna E. Brown
Town Clerk

**Annual Town Meeting
May 18, 1987**

The following action was taken at the Annual Town Meeting in which the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote in elections and town affairs were notified by warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen and posted by the Constable, Raymond L. Silva on May 8, 1987. Meeting held in the High School Gymnasium.

Meeting called to order by the Moderator John Eldridge at 7:35 P.M. Invocation was given by Dr. Seth Asare, Minister of the Cohasset Methodist Church.

Warrant was read by the Town Clerk, Anna E. Brown, 222 Voters were present.

Meeting was taped for cablevision by David Raleigh, Paul Brown, Karl Bystrom, Julio Miglierini.

Meeting proceeded as follows:

Article 1. Move: The reports of all Town Officers and Committees be accepted as printed in the 1986 Annual Town Report.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 2. Move: That the Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen be authorized to borrow in the anticipation of the revenue of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1987, in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 3. Move: That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to enter into a contract or contracts with the Department of Public Works and the County Commissioners for the construction and maintenance of public highways for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1987.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 4. Move: To transfer the sum of \$781.70 from the County Dog Fund and the sum of \$1,844.00 from the Library State Aid Account to the Library expense account.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 5. Motion made to table this article until completion of Article 6. So voted.

Article 6. To raise such sums of money to defray Town charges for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1987.

The following budget was approved:

| | |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| Moderator | 296.00 |
| Finance Committee | 100.00 |
| Selectmen | 40,531.00 |
| Accountant | 17,667.00* |
| Treasurer/Collector | 74,804.00 |
| Assessors | 31,075.00* |
| Law | 15,000.00 |
| Town Clerk | 30,333.00** |
| Election and Registration | 9,644.00 |
| Town Hall | 16,586.00 |
| Police | 702,239.00** |

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Fire Department | 379,980.00** |
| Tree Warden & Parks | 78,738.00** |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures | 1,685.00* |
| Inspector of Wires | 1,600.00 |
| Inspector of Buildings | 33,400.00 |
| Inspector of Gas and Plumbing | 2,550.00 |
| Dog Officer | 18,975.00 |
| Civil Defense | 940.00 |
| Planning Board | 3,200.00* |
| Board of Appeals | 1,350.00 |
| Conservation Commission | 3,500.00 |
| Board of Health | 29,117.00 |
| Highway | 520,709.00* |
| Veterans | 24,024.00 |
| Town Schools | 4,190,519.00 |
| Southeastern Reg. Voc. School | 51,770.00 |
| Library | 115,336.00 |
| Industrial Development | 100.00 |
| Industrial Development Finance Authority | 100.00 |
| Water | 204,867.00* |
| Recreation | 4,228.00 |
| Council on Aging | 28,142.00 |
| Cable TV Committee | 100.00 |
| Street Lights | 43,000.00 |
| Contributory Retirement | 271,133.00 |
| Memorial & Veterans Day | 500.00 |
| Town Reports | 6,000.00 |
| Holiday Decorations | 500.00 |
| Reserve Fund | 55,000.00* |
| Memorial Field | 500.00 |
| By-Law Study Committee | 500.00 |
| County Aid to Agriculture | 125.00 |
| Tennis Courts | 200.00 |
| Historical Commission | 250.00 |
| S.E. Human Resource Assoc. | 1,990.00 |
| Engineering Service | 100.00 |
| Comm. on Handicapped Affairs | 200.00 |
| Municipal Bldg. Needs & Use Comm. | 100.00 |
| Insurance | 346,816.00* |
| Bonds & Interest | 171,210.00* |

*Special motions made for these items:

**Includes out of state travel.

Motion made and seconded that the salaries of the following should be the same, Tree Warden, \$29,500.00; Superintendent of the Highway, \$29,500.00; Superintendent of the Water Department, \$29,500.00. Upon a counted vote of Yes-43, No-134, motion was defeated.

Motion made and seconded to amend the salary for the Town Accountant to read \$15,000.00, total for the accountant's budget to \$17,667.00. Upon vote motion carried.

Correction in the Assessors budget. \$6,762.00 did not show for sick leave reimbursement. The Total was the same, line item was omitted.

Motion made to amend the salary of the Sealer of Weights and Measures to \$1,000.00. Upon a counted vote of yes-107, and no-73 the larger amount of \$1,500.00 was carried, with a total of \$1,685.00 for the budget for fiscal 1987-88.

Motion made and seconded Total for the Planning Board Budget should be \$3,200. with an additional \$40.00 for Assn. Dues & Meetings. Upon vote motion carried.

Motion made and seconded to amend the salary of the Highway Supt. to \$27,373.00, total budget amounting to \$518,635.00. Upon vote the amendment was defeated and the original amount of \$520,709.00 was carried unanimously.

Motion made and seconded to amend the salary of the Water Supt. to \$29,500.00 total budget amounting to \$204,867.00 to be taken from Water Revenue with \$200.00 for Out of State Travel. Upon vote motion carried.

Motion made and seconded the sum of \$55,000.00 be taken from Overlay Surplus for the Reserve Fund. Upon vote motion carried.

Motion made to amend the amount on Insurance casualty to \$128,216.00 for a total on Insurance in the amount of \$346,816.00. Upon vote motion carried.

Motion made and seconded the sum of \$71,857.00 for Water Bonds and Interest be taken from Water Revenue. So voted.

Motion made the Total appropriation, the sum of \$7,531,329.00 be appropriated, of this amount \$276,724.00 from Water Revenue; \$55,000.00 from Overlay Surplus, \$33,466.00 from Hurricane Gloria Refunds; \$24,533.00 from State Highway funds reimbursement for Snow Renoval; \$31,615.00 from Free Cash. Upon vote motion carried.

Article 5. Move: The salary of the following elected Town Officers for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 1987 be set at:

| | | | |
|--------------|-----------|-----------------|-------------|
| Moderator | \$196.00 | Tree Warden | \$27,165.00 |
| Selectmen | 5,537.00 | Assessors | 6,465.00 |
| Town Clerk | 21,218.00 | Water Comm. | 3,867.00 |
| Treas./Coll. | 24,852.00 | Board of Health | 1,448.00 |

The following committees to serve without pay:
Library Trustees, School Committee, Planning Board.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 7. Move: To authorize the School Committee to maintain a State-Aided Vocational Program in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 74, General Laws, as amended and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,475.00.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 8. Move: The sum of \$5,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to purchase new Fire Alarm Signal Equipment for the Fire Station.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 9. Move: The sum of \$8,400.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to make repairs to Combination #1.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 10. Move: The sum of \$1,200.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for office furnishings for the Administrative Assistant.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 11. Move: The sum of \$3,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Tree Warden/Park Superintendent to purchase a thirty six inch cut lawn mower.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 12. Move: The sum of \$9,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to purchase equipment for the Transfer Station.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 13. Move: The sum of \$65,220.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the Town's share of \$16,305.00 and in anticipation of reimbursement of the State's share of \$48,915.00 for State Aid Construction and Maintenance.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 14. Move: The sum of \$1,200.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to purchase Public Address Systems.

Motion made to amend the amount to read \$3,000.00.

Upon vote amendment carried, the sum of \$3,000.00 was appropriated.

Article 15. Move: The sum of \$1,500.00 be raised and appropriated for the

Town's participation in the Plymouth County Rape Crisis Center.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 16. Move: The sum of \$33,600.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of completing Land Acquisition in connection with the laying out of Forest Street.

Upon a counted vote of Yes-58, No-54, motion carried.

Motion made to adjourn the Town Meeting until Tuesday, May 19th at 7:30 P.M. at the High School Auditorium. So voted.

Adjourned Town Meeting May 19, 1987

Moderator called the adjourned session to order at 7:30 P.M. 209 voters checked in by the Board of Registrars.

Article 19. Move: The sum of \$26,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to purchase two 1987 cruisers for the Police Department and to dispose of two cruisers in the best interest of the Town.

Motion made to amend the amount to \$13,000.00 to purchase one Police Cruiser.

Upon vote original motion for the sum of \$26,000.00 for two cruisers was carried.

Article 20. Move: The sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to purchase one hand held Kustom Radar unit for the Police Department.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 21. Move: That \$200,000.00 is appropriated for making extraordinary repairs to the West Bridgewater High School consisting of the replacement of two boilers; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen is authorized to borrow \$200,000.00 under G. L., Chapter 44, S7 (3A); and that the School Committee is authorized to take any other action necessary to carry out this project.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 22. Move: That \$1,600,000.00 is appropriated for constructing, originally equipping and furnishing a new public Library on Town-owned land on Howard Street designated for this purpose; and that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen is authorized to borrow \$1,600,000.00 under G. L., Chapter 44, S7 (3).

Upon a counted vote of Yes-151, No-37 motion carried.

Article 24. Move: The sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated from water revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase an Emergency Generator to operate water pumping controls in case of power outages.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 25. Move: The sum of \$1,400.00 be raised and appropriated from water revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase a new diaphragm pump for use in conjunction with street leak repairs.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 26. Move: The sum of \$15,000.00 be raised and appropriated from water revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase and equip a new Econoline Van and to dispose of one 1975 Ford pick-up in the best interest of the Town.

Upon vote motion carried.

Article 27. Move: The sum of \$5,000.00 be raised and appropriated from water revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase water meters.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 28. Move: The sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated from water revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to rebuild the 1971 Lindsey Air Compressor.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 29. Move: The sum of \$4,000.00 be raised and appropriated from water revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase and install a new electronic flow metering system at the Norman Avenue pumping station.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 30. Move: The sum of \$11,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Tennis Committee to repair two tennis courts.

Upon vote motion carried.

Article 31. Move: The sum of \$2,500.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Historical Commission to do legal and Historical Research to complete its inventory regarding matters of Historical interest to the Town.

Upon vote motion unanimously.

Article 33. Move: The sum of \$10,000.00 be raised and appropriated from

water revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to further pursue the search for additional well sites.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 34. Move: The sum of \$30,000.00 be raised and appropriated from water revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to have an Acquirer Protection study of the Town developed.

Upon vote motion carried.

Article 35. Move: The sum of \$18,500.00 be raised and appropriated from water revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to have a leak detection study made of the water system.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Motion made to adjourn the Town Meeting until Wednesday, May 20th at 7:30 P.M. in the High School Auditorium.

Upon vote motion carried.

Adjourned Town Meeting May 20, 1987

Meeting called to order by the Moderator, John C. Eldridge at 7:36 P.M. 181 Voters checked by the Bd. of Registrars.

Article 42. Move: The sum of \$20,000.00 be raised and appropriated from water revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to do extensive pump testing on proposed wells.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 43. Move: The Town authorize the By-Law Study Committee to enter into a contract to assist the By-Law Study Committee in developing a complete set of Town Bylaws, including a future land use plan, zoning bylaws, other bylaws, and all appropriate maps, and to transfer from available funds \$64,500.00 to be divided as follows to be expended by the Bylaw Study Committee under the terms of the contract: \$25,875.00 for future land use Plan, \$23,000.00 for a Zoning Bylaw and \$15,625.00 for other Bylaws.

Motion was made to amend to read The Town authorize the Bylaw Study Committee to negotiate a contract or contracts to assist the Bylaw Study Committee in developing a set of Town Bylaws and Zoning Bylaws and to transfer from available funds the sum of \$30,000.00 to be expended by the Board of Selectmen.

Upon a counted vote of Yes-99, No-33 amendment was carried.

Article 44. Move: The sum of \$10,000.00 be raised and appropriated from Water Revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to extend the present 12" water main 500 feet more or less on West Street to the Easton line to service residents now on private wells.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 46. Move: The sum of \$1,395.00 be raised and appropriated to pay the following old bills:

| | |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| New England Telephone Company | \$1,245.00 |
| Roto Rooter | 150.00 |

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 48. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Motion made the sum of \$235,755.00 be transferred from available funds to reduce the tax rate for 1988.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:53 P.M.

A true copy,
Attest: Anna E. Brown
Town Clerk

Special Town Meeting June 22, 1987

The following action was taken at the Special Town Meeting in which the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote in elections and town affairs were notified by warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen and posted by the Constable, Raymond L. Silva on June 8, 1987. Meeting held in the High School Auditorium.

Meeting called to order by the Moderator, John Eldridge at 7:32 p.m. There being no objections the reading of the warrant was dispensed with.

Thirty seven voters checked in at the door. Guests were Paul O'Leary from South Eastern Regional School and Kim Murphy from East Bridgewater, Reporter.

Meeting proceeded as follows:

Article 1. Move: The sum of \$4,555.73 be transferred from the

unencumbered fund balance to pay Insurance costs.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 2. Move: The sum of \$25,000.00 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to pay operating expenses at the Transfer Station.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 3. Move: The sum of \$24,533.00 be transferred from the Snow Account to the General Fund.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 4. Move: The sum of \$44,633.75 be transferred from the Hurricane Fund Reserve for appropriation to pay Insurance Costs.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 5. Move: The Town vote to approve an amendment to the agreement for the establishment of the Southeastern Regional School District providing in substance that the members of the District School Committee shall be elected at-large with the requirement that two members be residents and registered voters of the City of Brockton and one member be a resident and registered voter of each of the towns of East Bridgewater, Easton, Foxborough, Mansfield, Norton, Sharon, Stoughton and West Bridgewater.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 6. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

There being no other business, meeting was adjourned at 7:49 P.M.

A true copy,
Attest: Anna E. Brown, CMC
Town Clerk

Special Town Meeting October 14, 1987

A meeting of which the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote in elections and town affairs were notified by warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen and posted by Constable Raymond L. Silva on Sept. 30, 1987.

The meeting was called to order in the Junior-Senior High School Auditorium by the Moderator, John C. Eldridge at 7:30 P.M.

The following motion was made for the election of a temporary Town Clerk.

Moved: Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 14, which provides that in the absence of the Town Clerk, the meeting shall elect by a ballot a temporary clerk, the Board of Selectmen enters the name of Mrs. Artie Bucci into nomination to serve as Temporary Town Clerk for this Special Town Meeting.

Moderator asked for any other nominations. Motion made to close nominations. Upon a ballot vote of Yes-20, No-0 Mrs. Bucci was elected Temporary Town Clerk.

Meeting proceeded as follows:

Selectman Robert L. Smith called for a point of privilege. He explained that new growth assessment for the town was in excess of \$20,000,000 which added \$467,000 to the town cap. It increased the available levy and the town was allowed to use the total amount available under the cap. There is now a considerable amount of money available. Special Town Meeting was scheduled to appropriate available funds.

Article 1. Move: The sum of \$85,596.00 be appropriated and to meet said appropriation that the sum of \$82,849.00 be raised from taxation and the sum of \$2,747.00 from Water Revenue to meet wage increases and other contractual obligations and be transferred to the following operating budgets:

| | | |
|-------------------------|------------|---------------------|
| Selectmen | \$3,129.00 | |
| Treasurer/Collector | 2,417.00 | |
| Assessors | 744.00 | |
| Town Clerk | 78.00 | |
| Election & Registration | 65.00 | |
| Town Hall | 440.00 | |
| Police | 46,190.00 | |
| Fire | 13,158.00 | |
| Tree | 2,612.00 | |
| Wiring Inspector | 700.00 | |
| Inspector of Buildings | 132.00 | |
| Dog Officer | 984.00 | |
| Civil Defense | 60.00 | |
| Board of Health | 954.00 | |
| Highway Dept. | 7,383.00 | |
| Library | 3,803.00 | |
| Water Dept. | 2,747.00 | amended to 4,812.00 |

Motion amended to include 7% increase for Water Superintendent out of Water Revenue. Motion amended to \$87,661.00, \$82,849.00 from taxation and \$4,812.00 from water revenue. Upon a counted vote of yes 41 and no 33, motion carried.

Article 2. Move: The sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be

transferred into the revolving fund for the payment of Police Officers for off-duty work details authorized by Article 16, March 13, 1972 and defined in Chapter 44, Section 53C.

Upon vote motion carried.

Article 3. Move: The town vote to approve and adopt pursuant to Chapter 308, of the Acts of 1985, a By-Law relative to the regulation of Dogs by deleting Sections 1 and 2 of Article XII and by inserting in place thereof Article XII, Sections 1 through 4 inclusive as printed in the warrant.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 4. Move: The sum of \$874.15 be raised and appropriated to pay the following old bills:

| | |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| Sullivan Tire & Auto Service | \$29.95 |
| Medicalab, Inc. | 136.00 |
| Defeo, Wait & Associates, Inc. | 490.00 |
| John P. Lee, Esq. | 218.20 |

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 5. Move: The Town vote to accept a land grant from Eastern Utilities Service Corporation as follows:

Initiating at the EUA Service Corp.'s northeast property corner bound, located on the 1936 County Layout Line, Disc N369,055.304; E722,106.980, thence proceeding in a westerly direction, along the 1936 county layout line, bearing S82-22-30W, for a distance of 335.00' to the northeast corner of the proposed land grant parcel, point A: Thence, in a southwesterly direction, bearing S78-05-09W for a distance of 200.00' to point B: Thence in a westerly direction, bearing S82-22-30W, for a distance 205.00' to point C: Thence in a northwesterly direction, bearing N78-15-38W, for a distance of 45.11' to point D: Thence in an easterly direction, along the 1936 County Layout line, bearing N82-22-30E, for a distance of 447.00' to the point of beginning (Point A). Area encompassed within this land grant parcel is 4,880 square feet more or less and the town vote to accept the alteration of the layout of West Center Street as approved by the Board of Selectmen and shown on Plan of Land entitled "Alteration of Layout (1936) Decree #914, West Center Street, West Bridgewater, Massachusetts, 9/30/87, Hayward, Boynton & Williams, Surveyors, Brockton, Massachusetts."

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 6. Move: The sum of \$670.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to install and wire a one hundred (100) AMP service in central square to provide power at the Monument.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 7. Move: The sum of \$5,800.00 be raised and appropriated to be

transferred into the Police Department Budget to meet the anticipated increase in utility expense.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 8. Move: The Town vote to rescind that portion of Article 19 of the Annual Town Meeting held May 19, 1987 which authorized the Board of Selectmen to dispose of two (2) cruisers in the best interest of the Town and substitute therefor the following:

“To authorize the Board of Selectmen to keep one (1) cruiser for Police Department use and to dispose of one (1) cruiser in the best interest of the Town.”

Upon vote motion carried.

Article 9. Move: The town vote to accept a gift from Cumberland Farms of a building (30' x 50') for the use of the Highway Department.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 10. Move: The sum of \$15,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to complete the Zoning By-Law proposal as presented by Thomas Planning Service, Inc., and to provide assistance to the By-Law study committee to revise and rewrite all other Town By-Laws.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 11. Move: The sum of \$50,000.00 be voted to do general maintenance repairs and renovations of Municipal Buildings including (but not limited to) the Town Hall, Fire Station, Highway Department and Tree Department facilities and to meet such expense the sum of \$27,832.25 be transferred from the Hurricane Gloria Account and the sum of \$22,167.75 be raised from Taxation.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 12. Move: The sum of \$5,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to engage the services of a Traffic Engineer and/or surveyor to do the necessary survey work relative to signalization at various intersections of the Town.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 13. Move: To pass this article without action. So voted.

Article 14. Move: The sum of \$50,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for the purchase of Electronic Data Processing (EDP) Hardware and Software.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

Article 15. Move: The Town vote the sum of \$39,671.00 to be expended

by the Board of Selectmen to pave the Town Hall Parking lot and driveways and to meet such expense the sum of \$9,173.00 be transferred from Revenue Sharing and the sum of \$30,498.00 be transferred from the Drainage Account.

Upon counted vote of Yes 44 and No 29, motion carried.

Article 16. Move: The sum of \$50,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the Stabilization Fund.

Upon vote motion carried unanimously.

A true copy,
Attest: Anna E. Brown
Town Clerk

Special Selectman's Election Aug. 15, 1987

Special Election was held at the Spring Street School on Saturday, Aug. 15, 1987. The warrant issued by the Selectmen was posted by the Constable Raymond L. Silva, on Aug. 4, 1987 according with the provisions of the Town By-Laws.

Specimen ballots, cards of instructions and abstracts of the laws imposing penalties upon voters were posted as required by the laws of the Commonwealth.

The polls were opened at 9 A.M. The ballot boxes in both precincts were inspected and the registers set at 0000. A total of 1000 ballots were given to each Warden and receipt given to Town Clerk for the same.

At the close of the polls at 8 P.M. the ballot box registers showed the following number of ballots cast:

| | |
|-------------|------|
| Precinct I | 686 |
| Precinct II | 420 |
| Total | 1106 |

The following workers were sworn in:

Precinct I: Charles H. Johnson, Warden; Edythe Baker, Clerk; Natalie Beaulieu, Mary Cruz, Joyce Nystrom, Joan Ohlson; Checkers; Joan McAndrew, Kathleen Diebel, Audrey Johnson, Joan Sillars, Counters and Observers; Dorothy Williams, Mary Bagley, Tallies.

Precinct II: John Sillars, Warden; Warren Laughton, Clerk; Shirley Almquist, Elaine Laughton, Audrey

Johnson, Barbara Cohen, Checkers; Helen Souza, Alice Richardson, Catherine Chaves, Lois Ketler, Counters and Observers; Ann Long, Marie Bagley, Total Tally.

The results were declared at 9 P.M. and were as follows:

SELECTMAN:

| | | | |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Robert L. Bolger, Sr. | 212 | 53 | 265 |
| John A. Dacey | 139 | 152 | 291 |
| Robert L. Smith | 335 | 210 | 545 |
| Blanks | | 5 | 5 |

Robert L. Smith declared elected.

A true copy,
Attest: Ann E. Brown
Town Clerk

Special Election November 3, 1987

The Special Election for Southeastern Regional School Committee was held at the Spring Street School on Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1987. The Warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen was posted by the Constable, Raymond L. Silva, on Oct. 20th, 1987 according with the provisions of the G.L.

Specimen ballots, cards of instructions and abstracts of the laws imposing penalties upon voters were posted as required by the laws of the Commonwealth.

The polls were opened at 12 noon. The ballot boxes in both precincts were inspected and the registers set at 0000. A total of 1500 ballots were given to the Warden John Sillars and receipt given to the Town Clerk for the same.

At the close of the polls at 7 P.M. the ballot box registers showed the following number of ballots cast:

| | |
|-------------|-----------|
| Precinct I | 45 |
| Precinct II | <u>37</u> |
| Total | 82 |

The following workers were sworn in:

Wardens: John Sillars, Charles Johnson; Clerks: Edythe Baker, Warren P. Laughton; Checkers: Natalie Beaulieu, Joan Ohlson, Helen Johnson, Joyce Nystrom, Shirley Almquist, Coralee Bertocci, Barbara Cohen, Paula Turner; Counters: Helen Souza, Catherine Chaves; Total Tally, Claire Davock, Ann Long.

The results were declared at 7:20 P.M. and were as follows:

| | Prec. I | Prec. II | Total |
|-----------------------|---------|----------|-------|
| Ralph Armstead | 21 | 26 | 47 |
| George Churchill, Jr. | 15 | 23 | 38 |
| Norman Grise | 17 | 19 | 36 |
| Charles D. Homer | 19 | 20 | 39 |
| Eugene Kostecki | 38 | 33 | 71 |
| Joseph Meaney | 15 | 15 | 30 |
| Scattered | | 1 | 1 |
| Blanks | 100 | 48 | 148 |

A true copy,
Attest: Anna E. Brown, CMC
Town Clerk

Births Recorded in 1987

January

- | | | |
|----|---------------------------|---|
| 3 | Andrew John Conlin | John Andrew Conlin & Jane Faye Hallisey |
| 27 | Meghan Amelia Boyle | Kevin Norman Boyle & Kathleen Ann Kourtz |
| 29 | Michael Charles Tartaglia | Charles Tartaglia & Mary Lynne Milbury |

February

- | | | |
|----|----------------------------|--|
| 3 | Katelyn Elizabeth Brides | Gary Michael Brides & Donna Louise Giovannello |
| 4 | Megan Marie Rodriques | Moises Marcelino Rodriques & Maria Belmira Lobo |
| 21 | Scott Gian-Anthony Balboni | Narciso Balboni & Melina Jeannette Pino |
| 21 | Mathew James Kean | Lawrence Joseph Kean & Patricia Ann Kennedy |
| 24 | Chad Peter Larson | Peter Harold Larson & Donna Jean Carasetti |
| 25 | Jeremy Adam Cappiello | Michael Mario Cappiello & Brenda Murphy |
| 28 | Paul Anthony Cacchione | Alexander Cacchione & Sharon Lee Somes |
| 28 | Joseph Michael Cameron | Joseph Patrick Cameron & Robyn Ann DiBona |

March

- | | | |
|----|--------------------------|--|
| 3 | Michelle Billadeau Smith | John Craig Smith & Joanne Catherine Hawkins |
| 9 | Julio Ivan Miranda, Jr. | Julio Ivan Miranda, Sr. & Vikki Lynn Gurley |
| 29 | Nicholas Steven Wade | Steven Pierce Wade & Patricia Ann Chase |

April

- | | | |
|----|-------------------------|--|
| 4 | Nathaniel James Milbury | Peter William Milbury & Rebecca Ellen Denham |
| 10 | Andrew James MacMannis | James Andrew MacMannis & Amy Louise O'Connell |
| 21 | Justin James Bearce | Weston Noel Bearce & Karen Louise Wood |
| 22 | Erin Elizabeth Walsh | Joseph John Walsh & Charlene Marie Gurney |

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|------|---------------------------------|---|
| 29 | April Lee Derocher | Robert John Derocher, Jr. & Robin Lynn Lussier |
| May | | |
| 1 | John Arthur Mitchell | John NMN Mitchell, Jr. & Janice Marie Gerry |
| 4 | Derek William Spry | Michael Thomas Spry & Patricia Gail Adams |
| 7 | Matthew Chin Yee Chan | Siemens Lap Bun Chan & Suzanna Chin Chin Yu |
| 8 | Hayley Irene Craig | Joseph Michael Craig & Linda Irene Benedict |
| 11 | Jennifer Lynne Stearns | Richard Van tassel Stearns, Jr. & Mary Frances Hogan |
| 19 | Jennifer Jane Spadea | James Richard Spadea & Susan Marie Doiron |
| 22 | Devin Michael Praino | Michael Edward Praino & Kathleen Jane Fenton-Praino |
| 31 | Amanda Frances Tesauro | Paul Robert Tesauro & Mary Ellen Simpson |
| June | | |
| 1 | Nicholas Bradford Piesco | Bradford Wayne Piesco & Patricia Marie Foley |
| 2 | Christopher Michael Pierce | Gerald Francis Pierce, Jr. & Maureen Tropeano |
| 3 | Hilary Marie Castricone | Frank Wilde Castricone & Joanne Mary Grady |
| 7 | Justin Haley Guillemette | John Kenneth Guillemette & Nadine Fay Haley |
| 10 | Jilian Frances Lucini | William Ernest Lucini & Wanda Frances Petrowski |
| 18 | Anna Kim Fung | Hak Yung Fung & Dak Chun Chou |
| 30 | Rachel Elise Burnap | Wayne Thomas Burnap & Judith Karen Flaherty |
| July | | |
| 7 | Catherine Elizabeth Wirth | Kevin Barry Wirth & Anita Marie Gomes |
| 15 | Joshua Joseph Freitas | Richard Joseph Freitas & Karen Marie Rezendes |
| 17 | Matthew Christopher Anderson | Timothy Paul Anderson & Louise Abbuzzi |

See 1986

~~19 Thomas Scott Buttrick~~

~~David William Buttrick
& Karen Elizabeth Frueh~~

20 Bradley Karl Anderson

Karl Victor Anderson
& Sharon Eileen Patterson

23 Kerri Lynn Sullivan

Donald John Sullivan
& Sharon Lynn Roberts

August

5 Jacquelyn Claire Loughman

Kevin Ward Loughman
& Linda Frances Fraher

10 Jacquelyn Elizabeth Macek

Dwayne Edward Macek
& Melissa Margaret Kinney

11 Jordan Donald Gomes

Donald Alfred Gomes, Jr.
& Christine Anne Jones

15 Joshua Aaron Greene

William Arthur Greene
& Jacqueline Jean Joy

21 Melissa Ann Goggin

James Arthur Goggin, Jr.
& Mary Elizabeth Harrington

21 Ashley Anne Tarr

Donald Gilbert Tarr
& Linda Marie Smith

September

1 Brendan Patrick Russell

Robert MacLean Russell, Jr.
& Laura Anne Curran

9 Mark Joseph Tennihan

Robert Clemens Tennihan
& Christine Mary Engdahl

10 Melissa Christine Zajdel

Michael Thomas Zajdel
& Cheryl Ann Rogers

16 Brian Thomas Weiliczki

Paul Weiliczki
& Linda Marion Skinner

22 Christopher Glenn Govey

Glenn Robert Govey
& Diane Elizabeth Gelly

22 Ryan Sean Rudolph

William Patrick Rudolph
& Catherine Lingley

October

9 Jennifer Katelyn Conley

Neil Bradford Conley
& Mary Beth Adams

26 Matthew Michael Pizzanello

Michael John Pizzanello
& Janmarie Lucier

27 Christina Marie Pellegrini

Vincent John-Louis Pellegrini
& Robin Marie Lambert

November

11 Ian Thomas Perkins

Thomas Thaddeus Perkins
& Claudia Maria Merunka

15 Jessie Evelyn Russell

Jeffrey Peter Russell
& Susan Ellen Limbey

1986 Births — Late Reporting

October

15 Alexis Rose Czarnecki-Gale

Andrew Wieslaw Czarnecki-Gale
& Jessica Moulton Gale

December

6 Stephanie Lynn Hallahan

Paul Vincent Hallahan
& Joanne Ruth Erickson

11 Marissa Elizabeth Merritt

George O'Brien Merritt, Jr.
& Monique Cecile LaFrance

Marriages Recorded in 1987

January

4 Christopher D. Iannitelli of W. Bridgewater and Anne Gail James of Brockton at W. Bridgewater

18 Neil D. McCarthy of W. Bridgewater and Noreen E. Meade of W. Bridgewater at Easton

23 Ralph F. Cosgrove of Brockton and Patricia L. Anderson of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater

February

7 Paul J. Kuchinski, Jr. of Brockton and Linda A. Carpenter of W. Bridgewater at Abington

14 Richard W. Cassidy of W. Bridgewater and Cathryn Howard Arnold of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater

March

6 Dwayne Edward Macek of Raynham and Melissa Margaret Kenney of Raynham at W. Bridgewater

April

18 Thomas R. Roulstone of W. Bridgewater and Barbara A. Drew of W. Bridgewater at Middleborough

25 Andrew Jay Butts of Hackensack, New Jersey and Susan Jean Kinney of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater

May

2 Albert E. Bradshaw of Acushnet and Cathy J. Migliorini of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater

9 Michael Machnik of Middleboro and Cheri Gustin of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater

- 21 David W. Grippen of West Bridgewater and Evelyn M. Piepiora of Stoughton at West Bridgewater
30 Jeffrey David Livingston of Taunton and Pamela Sue Anderson of Taunton at West Bridgewater

June

- 6 Andrew G. Williams of Somerville, MA and Margaret Mary Utka of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
13 William C. Carrigan, Jr. of West Bridgewater and Kelly Ann Byers of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
13 Richard A. Hines III of Bridgewater and Susan Hope Burge of Bridgewater at Holbrook
13 Peter Newland Hamilton of W. Bridgewater and Nancy A. Sampson of Whitman at Whitman
13 Robert L. Onges of Bridgewater and Christine L. Couturier of Bridgewater at Whitman
14 Richard E. Willis, Jr. of West Bridgewater and Patricia M. Greene of West Bridgewater at North Easton
21 Howard A. Coleman of West Bridgewater and Janine L. Smith of Brockton at East Bridgewater
21 Stephen G. LeBlanc of Brockton and Denise Dupe of Brockton at West Bridgewater
26 Mark S. Roache of West Bridgewater and Linda M. Botto of West Bridgewater at Brockton
27 Joseph A. DeCosta of Taunton and Elizabeth A. Bobb of Taunton at West Bridgewater
28 Steven Morochnick of Brockton and Susan J. Carrozza of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater

July

- 4 Anthony J. Tiso of Hollywood, CA and Jill Tracey Williams of Hollywood, CA at West Bridgewater
11 John Jay of Wareham and Monica Jean Munies of Wareham at New Bedford
17 Michael D. Long of West Bridgewater and Linda Jean Fullerton of Lakeville at Brockton
18 Connor F. Lyons of Pembroke and Lori J. Anderson of Pembroke at West Bridgewater
18 Michael Joseph Preston of Wareham and Nancy Lynne Jackson of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
26 George A. Sprague of Middleboro and Diane M. Cormier of Middleboro at Middleborough

August

- 2 Mark Robert Virgo of Bridgewater and Sarah Beth Peluso of Bridgewater at Middleboro

- 2 David G. Nye of East Bridgewater and Lauren M. Berard of W. Bridgewater at W. Bridgewater
- 2 Bruce Alan Hayward of So. Easton and Ann Marie Guillemette of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 8 Scott Allan Souza of West Bridgewater and Kelly Ann Giovanoni of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 13 Donald Kevin O'Brian of Brockton and Susan Marie Noyes of W. Bridgewater at Brockton
- 22 Robert M. Nye of Bridgewater and Deborah A. Picchione of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 29 David Harold Hathaway of West Bridgewater and Pamela J. Frost of Brockton at Middleboro
- 29 Scott A. Lawson of West Bridgewater and Debra Anne Picciuto of West Bridgewater at Bridgewater

September

- 4 Roy J. Moore of Brockton and Victoria L. Rodrigues of Brockton at West Bridgewater
- 5 Stephen J. Korotsky of West Bridgewater and Debra A. Knight of Raynham at West Bridgewater
- 5 Paul Lynch of Brockton and Sherrie R. Rascicot of Brockton at Brockton
- 12 John S. Anderson of West Bridgewater and Lorraine Anne Nadeau of West Bridgewater at Harwich
- 19 Timothy Patrick Donovan of Brockton and Danielle Christine Spillane of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 26 John F. Cruz of West Bridgewater and Teresa L. Sullivan of West Bridgewater at Bridgewater
- 26 Philbrook S. Mason, Jr. of Foxboro and Teresa Ann Ohlson of West Bridgewater at Easton

October

- 2 David P. Erbeck of West Bridgewater and Bertha G. Skillin of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 11 Norman M. Tibbetts of West Bridgewater and Beatrice E. Stringer of Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 16 Richard N. Karsh of West Bridgewater and Marlene McLoughlin of West Bridgewater at Boston
- 18 Joseph Gary Perlmutter of East Bridgewater and Laurie Anne Crowley of East Bridgewater at Boston
- 23 Mark A. McKinnon of Kingston and Karen J. Cosgrove of Brockton at Scituate
- 25 Timothy J. Cruz of West Bridgewater and Rose Marie Donnelly of Foxborough at West Bridgewater

November

- 6 Edward P. Bausemer of West Bridgewater and Donna E. McElhinney of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
14 Colin Hall Kelley of West Bridgewater and Lisa Catherine Miller of Brockton at West Bridgewater

December

- 3 Scott A. May of West Bridgewater and Sandra M. Francis of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
19 Donald Richard Horsman, Jr. of Brockton and Rochelle Nadine French of Brockton at West Bridgewater

Deaths Recorded in 1987

January

- 22 Maryann R. Braga 72 Coronary Artery Disease
25 Stanley B. Leadbetter 92 Chronic Lung Disease
27 Walter D. Jones, Sr. 72 Cardiac Arrest

February

- 12 Joan Augusta French 52 Respiratory Arrest
14 Gertrude Wentzell 71 Cardiac Arrest
16 Mary Chaves 93 Acute Myocardial Infarction
26 Sophie G. Will 73 Respiratory Arrest

March

- 3 Ernest G. Best 84 Cardiogenic Failure
3 Mamie Ruth Noyes 89 Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease
11 Edward Amaral 68 Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease
12 Pauline McLaughlin 68 Liver Failure
17 Edith Barker 72 Hypotension
17 Beatrice Willey 84 Internal Hemorrhage
24 Charles Keeler 70 Metastatic Carcinoma

April

- 5 Dorothy Phelan 75 Atherosclerosis of Aorta
9 Gertrude Mary Cyr 85 Acute Myocardial Infarction
14 Lorraine Anderson 57 Metastatic Lung Cancer
21 Albert Benjamin Cook 79 Acute Myocardial Infarction
22 Gilbert Donald Baker 79 Lung Cancer
24 Edward Greene 72 Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease
26 Adeline Emily Melinn 79 Hypertensive Cardiovascular Disease
29 Patrick Joseph Murphy 74 Metastatic Colon Cancer

May

- 7 Robert Clayton Clark 59 Bilateral Bronchopneumonia
12 Carl F. Anderson 19 Massive Skull Fracture

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|-----------|---------------------------|----|---------------------------------|
| 13 | Leona I. Lanzilli | 78 | Pulmonary Cardiac |
| 15 | Nellie Grandfield | 64 | Myocardial Infarction |
| 21 | Eugene Cicione | 69 | Myocardial Infarction |
| June | | | |
| 14 | Diana Cataldo | 76 | Bronchopneumonia |
| 24 | Edward John Poltorick | 71 | Myocardial Infarction |
| 27 | Alice L. Howard | 82 | Cardiac Arrest |
| 30 | Josephine Balboni | 80 | Myocardial Infarction |
| July | | | |
| 4 | Melissa L. Reed | 17 | Ruptured Aorta |
| 12 | Albert E. Williams | 87 | Pulmonary Edema |
| 20 | Nanny Elizabeth Anderson | 92 | Cardio-Respiratory |
| 25 | Charles Droukas | 67 | Metastatic Colon Cacinoma |
| August | | | |
| 8 | Elva Cheney | 81 | Cardiopulmonary Arrest |
| 10 | Myrtle Lawson | 81 | Metastatic Breast Cancer |
| 14 | William B. Melvin | 60 | Myocardial Infarction |
| September | | | |
| 4 | Susanne Anderson | 42 | Carbon Monoxide Poisoning |
| 24 | Lena Tirrell | 87 | Lymphocytic Leukemia |
| 26 | Ernest Andrew Ray | 75 | Cerebro Vascular Accident |
| 27 | Margaret F. Sherburne | 51 | Coronary Artery Disease |
| October | | | |
| 1 | Carmen Thomas Richardi | 44 | Multiple Injuries |
| 3 | John Pimental | 98 | Heart Disease |
| 3 | Robert Quinn | 57 | Coronary Artery Disease |
| 5 | Anna C. Leighton | 78 | Acute Myocardial Infarction |
| 8 | George Connor | 75 | Myocardial Infarction |
| 9 | Edna Mary Sederberg | 60 | Lymphoma |
| 19 | Joseph Anthony Pizzi, Sr. | 68 | Heart Disease |
| 24 | Therese Imelda McGuigan | 61 | Brain Stem Infarction |
| 28 | Clyde D. Sanford | 70 | Metastatic Lung Carcinoma |
| November | | | |
| 13 | Wesley Anderson | 84 | Pulmonary Congestion |
| 15 | Harold Page Conant | 73 | Coronary Artery Disease |
| 27 | Raymond C. Hall | 90 | Heart Disease |
| December | | | |
| 8 | William Thomas Ryan | 73 | Smoke Inhalation |
| 9 | Antone Ventura | 85 | Cerebral & Brainstem Infarction |
| 10 | Arthur Hollertz | 88 | Heart Failure |
| 31 | Mary Ann Golder | 63 | Cardiopulmonary Arrest |

1986 Deaths — Late Reporting

October

5 Frederick Paulding Jr. 66 Cardiopulmonary Arrest

November

20 Grover Cleveland Andrews 70 Metastatic Pancreatic Carcinoma

December

2 Rose Ann Dillenschnieder 65 Renal Failure

15 Bruce Carlson 41 Respiratory Failure

November

Henry Watson 47 Actue Myocardial Ischemia

REPORT OF THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The West Bridgewater Recreation Committee and Staff members of the 1987 Summer Recreation program wish to report on the success of the past summer season. Under the guidance and assistance of Director, Doreen Langer and Assistant Director Deborah O'Connell and three program aides, we were able to run a varied and interesting program.

All West Bridgewater children in grades 1 through 8 were invited to attend the daily activities, from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, offered at the Howard School. We were glad to be back at the Howard School this year.

The Summer Program runs for 6 weeks, starting on the first Monday after the Fourth of July.

A diversified program for all age groups and skill levels includes supervised playground activities, quiet games, contests and Arts and Crafts. Once a week we go on a Field Trip and this activity seems to be a highlight of the week for all.

The Recreation Committee and its Staff would like to express our gratitude and appreciation to the townspeople, the Police and School Departments, the Town Hall and the children of West Bridgewater for their continued support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,
Colleen B. Lawrence
Bernice Breer
Joseph Gareri
Mary Lou Jenness
Barbara Kusmack

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby respectfully submit my annual report for the year 1987.

There were 98 Plumbing applications filed for plumbing permits.

There were 182 Plumbing inspections made in the following types of buildings.

| | |
|----------------------|----|
| New Dwellings | 22 |
| Old Dwellings | 62 |
| Commercial Buildings | 11 |
| Public Buildings | 3 |

There were 62 water heaters installed.

The Massachusetts State Plumbing Code is used as a basis for all plumbing installations.

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph F. Donovan
Inspector of Plumbing

REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of West Bridgewater:

I herewith submit my Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 1987.

During the calendar year 1987, a total of three hundred twenty (320) measuring devices were sealed (an increase of one hundred forty-five over last year), one hundred seventeen (117) devices were adjusted (an increase of ninety-eight), twenty-eight (28) devices, compared to none last year, were marked not sealed (as such they cannot be used legally in trade), and eleven (11) devices (none last year) were condemned for failure to meet prescribed standards.

The following is a summary of measuring devices inspected and tested:

Scales and Balances

| | | |
|-----------------------------|----|------------|
| Over 10,000 pounds..... | 1 | Sealed |
| 5,000 to 10,000 pounds..... | 1 | Sealed |
| 100 to 5,000 pounds..... | 14 | Sealed |
| | 1 | Adjusted |
| | 1 | Condemned |
| Under 100 pounds..... | 62 | Sealed |
| | 19 | Adjusted |
| | 1 | Not Sealed |
| | 3 | Condemned |

Weights

| | | |
|------------------|----|------------|
| Avoirdupois..... | 88 | Sealed |
| Metric..... | 41 | Sealed |
| Apothecary..... | 15 | Sealed |
| | 10 | Not Sealed |

Liquid Measuring Meters

| | | |
|-------------------|----|------------|
| Gasoline..... | 98 | Sealed |
| | 96 | Adjusted |
| | 2 | Not Sealed |
| | 2 | Condemned |
| Diesel Fuel..... | 1 | Sealed |
| | 1 | Adjusted |
| Vehicle Tank..... | 2 | Sealed |

Fabric Measuring Devices

11 Sealed
5 Condemned

Linear Measures

| | | |
|-----------|---|--------|
| Tape..... | 1 | Sealed |
|-----------|---|--------|

The following fees were assessed for the above inspections:

| | |
|----------------|---------------|
| Sealing Fees | \$1,407.10 |
| Adjusting Fees | <u>484.00</u> |
| Total Fees | \$1,891.10 |

Of the total 1987 fees, all were collected prior to the end of the calendar year. In addition, \$24.00 in late 1986 fees were also submitted to the Town Treasurer for a total of \$1,915.10 turned in for the 1987 calendar year.

I wish to express my appreciation to the Board of Selectmen and to the personnel in the various Town Offices for their continued cooperation in assisting me in carrying out my assigned duties.

Respectfully submitted,
Herbert A. Wolfer
Sealer of Weights and Measures

REPORT OF THE BY-LAW STUDY COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The By-Law Study Committee has continued to meet regularly since our previous report.

Funding for the services of a professional consultant was voted at Town Meeting. Three consultants were interviewed. After lengthy discussion and debate, Thomas Planning Services, Inc. of Boston was engaged by the Town.

Input from various sources indicated that zoning was perceived to be the area of greatest concern. Therefore, our efforts so far have been concentrated on zoning and related matters. Thomas Planning Services proposed a five phase process for addressing zoning: Phase I, Reconnaissance; Phase II, Land Use Objectives; Phase III, Zoning Text Revision; Phase IV, Zoning Map Revision; and Phase V, Other Land Use Regulations. Phase I, which included items such as investigating technical information already available, interviewing town officials, classifying soil types, determining the potential for uses of various sections of the Town, has been completed. In addition, site plan and off-street parking requirements have been developed.

Phase II has been started. A series of public meetings is planned to assure the maximum opportunity for input from all interested parties in the crucial area of Land Use Objectives. We intend to progress through all phases in an orderly manner.

Our ultimate objective is to update all of the Town's By-Laws. Throughout the entire process we will seek and welcome comments and suggestions from Town Officials and all others who want to provide input. For the revised By-Laws to be most representative of the Town's wishes, all available viewpoints must be carefully considered.

As we all knew from the start, a complete revision of the Town's By-Laws is a lengthy process. We are pleased to report progress and we remain committed to presenting for the Town's consideration a By-Law package that will serve West Bridgewater well.

Respectfully submitted,
Gerald E. Stetson, Chairman
Paul H. Curnutte, Vice Chairman
Claire M. Davock
John C. Eldridge
Marlene A. Howell
Karen A. Johnson
David W. Lacy
Neil R. Manzer
Richard McMahan
Joseph McMorro, Sr.
Paul J. Sheedy

CIVIL DEFENSE

We were very fortunate that West Bridgewater experienced no emergency during the past year.

Our Chief Communications officer Harry Ketler and yours truly participated in a simulated hurricane exercise conducted by Civil Defense headquarters in Bridgewater from our Emergency Operating Center at the local high school. The new communication equipment which was installed by communications officers Harry Ketler and James Grandfield last year had its first baptism of fire and came through with flying colors.

At this time, I would like to thank Warren Turner, Jr., for assembling two flashing lights which will be used by the Civil Defense Director on his truck in the event of an emergency.

Anyone who may notice any suspicious behavior on the part of any person/persons attempting to dump foreign materials anywhere in our town should notify the Police Department immediately. Hazardous chemicals could destroy our water supply.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Manugian
Civil Defense Director

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of West Bridgewater:

I respectfully submit the following annual report for the calendar year 1987.

RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION

| | Construction Value |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 21 Dwellings | \$1,956,000.00 |
| 8 Garages | 73,150.00 |
| 63 Additions & Alterations | 705,475.00 |
| 19 Swimming Pools | 129,144.00 |
| 4 Stoves | 2,749.00 |
| 21 Sheds & Decks | 22,293.00 |

COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION

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|----------------------------|----------------|
| 8 New Buildings | \$2,755,980.00 |
| 20 Additions & Alterations | 586,650.00 |
| 27 Signs | 44,322.00 |
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| | \$6,275,763.00 |

Total Fees collected and deposited to the General Fund — \$18,843.00.

Respectfully Submitted:
Steven D. Crawford, *Building Inspector*

REPORT OF THE COMPUTER STUDY COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the citizens of West Bridgewater.

The Computer Study Committee was established to review the data processing needs of the town departments. It is our objective to study, develop and recommend to the Selectmen, a detailed plan of action based on our analysis. Our plan and recommendation follows.

The committees plan of action consisted of four phases:

Phase I — Perform an analysis of town departments current and future data processing needs.

Phase II — Visit towns currently using data processing.

Phase III — Interview prospective municipal hardware and software vendors.

Phase IV — Prepare a Request For Proposal for a computer system, to be presented to the Selectmen for approval.

Phase I began in January 1987 and took approximately three months. Each member interviewed several town department managers. We found that in-house data processing was being performed on an IBM personal computer, outside vendor services were being used and in many departments there was no automation. We also found that all departments require special reporting functions and many, if not all, have a need to share information, perform word processing, perform statistical analysis, and automate manual processes. Our conclusion was, "There is a need for some method of data processing."

In phase II the committee visited towns of similar population size to West Bridgewater to evaluate the many different data processing systems in operation. The range varied from independent personal computers requiring floppy diskettes to transfer data between departments to more sophisticated networked PC's and from minicomputers to towns using mainframe computers via service bureaus. During these visitations, we reaffirmed our phase I analysis to computerize West Bridgewater. We agreed that the installation should be accomplished using a phased in approach beginning with the Town Accountant and Town Treasurer, followed by the Town Clerk, Administrative Assistant and other departments. With this approach, the committee feels the town will be in better control of the project, and will also be able to defer the costs over time.

During phase III, the Computer Committee invited no less than twenty municipal vendors to discuss their products. Approximately fifteen were interviewed, each having software and hardware that would do the job. We paid particular attention to the functionality of the software and the technical resources supporting it. We also evaluated the installation and reliability of the hardware, upgrade fees and available training. In these areas we found that all vendors provided basically the same services but with varying costs. After our interviews, we invited two vendors to return and demonstrate their hardware and software to Town Officials and selected departments. These systems ran on Data General and Wang mini computer hardware and were accessed by terminals or personal computers. This is not to say these specific vendors are the committee's final choice, it is their method of processing that we support. Whatever system is chosen, we feel it should have on-line real time updating capabilities and be interactive and integrated. The system should have a planned life of seven to ten years and allow sufficient memory growth so compromises will not be made in the use of the hardware.

Phase IV Request For Proposal is in progress and will be completed by April 1988. The Request For Proposal identifies the data processing needs of the town and our desired methods of meeting those needs. It will be available to all vendors to review and bid upon after approval by the Selectmen. Also in phase IV the committee will be inviting our Town Departments to visit other towns to view their computer systems. This will give them an opportunity to see a system in production, and gain experience, by asking questions to the people directly responsible for the implementation and operation of the system.

In conclusion the Computer Committee recognizes the complexity of this project and encourages your suggestions and support in the computerization of our Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted:
Your Computer Study Committee
Warren E. Turner, *Chairman*
Frederick Baker
Marion Loughman
Michelle Leibowitz
Charles Pye

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The year 1987 has been a banner year for the West Bridgewater Public Library.

Funding of \$1,600,000 was voted at the Annual Town Meeting, with actual construction to begin early in FY 1989. Thus did our ten years of effort to improve Library facilities come to fruition.

A Designer Selection Committee to search for the principal architect was formed in June, consisting of the Trustees, the Library Director, E. Norris Bowden, Arthur Chaves, Joseph Flint, Dr. Jim Howell, Marion Loughman, and George Miller. The firm of Gaffney Architects of Dennis, Massachusetts was ultimately chosen, and a Building Committee was formed jointly by the Selectmen and the Trustees. Members of this Committee include three Trustees — Paul Galvin, Jim Grandfield, and Helen Millet; three volunteers from the community — Joseph Flint, Gary Keith, and Thomas Snell; the Library Director, Elaine DeMarco serves ex-officio.

The Bulger Bill on state appropriation for library construction was enacted into law late in the year, thus increasing the Town's prospects for assistance with construction costs.

Cheryl Kennedy was appointed as a Trustee in March, following the resignation of David Cohen.

The Friends of the Library have continued their program of assistance, particularly in sponsoring programs for the public and for children. Their membership now numbers over 150, along with several corporate memberships. Their work contributes much to the Library's program.

The Trustees wish to thank most sincerely those in the Town Administration who assisted in advancing the Library building program and all those townspeople who saw the need and supported the bond issue at Town Meeting.

The year 1988 will see detailed development of the architectural plans and specifications, ground-breaking at the Howard Street site, major construction, and the opportunity for families and individuals to make memorial contributions toward specialized furnishings within the new building.

Respectfully Submitted,
James Grandfield, *Chairman*
Paul Galvin, *Vice-Chairman*
Helen Millet, *Secretary*
Kathleen Fenstermaker
Wayne Legge
Cheryl Kennedy

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The West Bridgewater Historical Commission started off 1987 with the job of sending out bids for requesting assistance in locating an "ancient burial site" on Howard Street. The bid was awarded to the Environmental Archeology Group of Boston, and in April they turned in their report. The Commission held a Public Hearing at that time, although the exact location of the "old burial site" was not discovered, the report gave the Commission approximately 3 separate areas. The report from the Environmental Archeology Group is available in the West Bridgewater Public Library.

The "Old Colony Day" which was previously held, unfortunately had to be cancelled this year because of the unavailability of the Militia. Yet, the Commission is again working now on a "Living History Day" in the Spring.

In September of 1987 two separate digs were held. Larry Conant, Chairman of the Historical Commission and Phil Brady of the Massachusetts Archeological Society joined the West Bridgewater Highway Department who were putting in underground wiring in Central Square (which was the second location of the Meeting House for all the "Old Bridgewaters") this dig produced some pottery pieces including blue featherware also a 1880 brick. Due to so much road work and filling in that area nothing else was unearthed. The second dig held in September, thanks to the West Bridgewater School Committee, was held on the High School property at the corner of Howard Street and Route 106. This dig did not reveal any evidence of a cemetery which was one of the areas marked in the E.A.G. Survey.

The Historical Commission spent the last part of the year on work and interviewing for assistance in completing our own surveys which need to be turned in to the Massachusetts Historical Commission. There are approximately 42 houses and 23 structures which need to be surveyed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lawrence Conant, *Chairman*
Lucia Foye Marcotte
Susan Cross
Phillip Anderson

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

The The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

West Bridgewater's new police station was dedicated July 25, 1987 with an open house ceremony attended by many citizens. It is an excellent facility and serves as a model for other communities to develop their own.

The manhole and drainage at the rear of the building has yet to be completed and will be done by the West Bridgewater Highway Department when the ground is free of frost. This will put the project in compliance with the Conservation Commission's Order of Conditions.

There are a few minor items of equipment yet to be acquired and the project will be completed within the appropriation allowed at Town Meeting.

This committee thanks all who have assisted us in the establishment of this modern facility.

Respectfully Submitted,
William Johnson, *Chairman*
Charles A. Johnson
George V. Hollertz Jr.
Leonard P. Bucci
Robert J. Smith
David Meade
Building Committee

REPORT OF THE EAST BRIDGEWATER- WEST BRIDGEWATER REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT PLANNING BOARD

To The Residents of West Bridgewater:

During this past year the Board has focused on completing all of the studies and the communication of the findings to the public.

The Planning Board, in late Spring 1987, held several meetings with the various town civic groups as well as formal public hearings in each town. These meetings provided the Board with information regarding local issues and concerns.

The recurring theme that became visible as the public evaluated the Board's information was that of a commitment to educational excellence. Significant

increases in educational offerings at the 7-12 grade level would have to be a prerequisite to forming a regional school district.

A special additional study on curriculum was performed so that the commitment to educational excellence could be defined. The current regional school offerings of Whitman-Hanson and Bridgewater-Raynham were compared to the course offerings in both East and West Bridgewater.

In addition, the West Bridgewater Junior/Senior High School Principal and the East Bridgewater High School Principal presented to the Board their needs on new and expanded course offerings if a regional school district were to be formed.

Most recently, Dr. Thomas Henstock, the Board's Regionalization Consultant, presented the summary results of the thirteen studies he performed.

The School Committees, School Administrators, Teaching Staffs, and Students were given workshops so they could evaluate the regional planning data. In December 1987, the Board presented this same data on the local cable channels and participated in a call-in show in both towns.

The East-West Bridgewater Regional School District Planning Board believes the studies clearly demonstrate the many advantages that would accrue to each town's educational process by way of regionalization.

The Board is also very much aware of the disadvantages that are very real concerns to students, parents, educators, and townspeople.

The Planning Board will be voting on whether to recommend a regionalization plan to the townspeople for their consideration prior to the annual town meeting.

The Board members, at this time, appear to be positive about the possibilities for a successful regional school district.

Respectfully Submitted,
John L. Powers, *Chairman*
William P. Bystrom, *Secretary-Treasurer*
Paul Curnutte
Thomas Kelley
Roberta A. McCarthy
Ann Packard

REPORT OF THE CABLE TELEVISION COMMITTEE

The Cable Television Committee held 8 meetings in 1987. Most meetings were attended by a representative of Continental Cablevision of Southeastern Massachusetts, Inc.

This past year cable television brought to TV the selectmen's meetings. Various other local events were also televised. Several townspeople have or are in the process of learning how to use our modern television studio for local program origination. Program Director Ralph Wadman will be conducting similar classes every year, open to all interested residents free of charge. A competitive fee schedule has been established for private and commercial use of the studio facilities, with non-profit use being free of charge. Use of the studio may be arranged through the Program Director. More capital equipment was purchased to permit better use of the studio. The electronic bulletin board is now more accessible to the town with the installation of a message drop box outside the studio door inside Spring Street School. Messages may also be left with the Town Clerk during regular business hours.

The Cable Television Committee started the year with only 3 of the 6 members it needs to function properly. During the year, we gained 2 new members, leaving one position unfilled. The committee strongly encourages any prospective new members to contact the Board of Selectmen, so they may serve their town and themselves on this regulatory committee.

Number of subscribers as of December 31, 1987: 1,379.

Respectfully Submitted,
Richard Bagley, *Chairman*
Julio Miglierini, *Vice Chairman*
Peter Turner, *Clerk*
Herbert Billett, *Member*
John Newell, *Member*

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of West Bridgewater:

In compliance with the General Laws of Massachusetts we submit the report for 1987.

The Board of Health, in the past year, held the following clinics: Rabies Shots, Flu Shots, Blood Pressure Readings, Blood Sugar Level Readings, and TB Mantoux Testing.

The area spraying for mosquito control was done by the Bay Colony Mosquito Control. Although there was no report of Equine Encephalitis in West Bridgewater, we felt that it was in the Town's best interest to spray.

The annual Town election of 1987 saw the election of James Howell to the Board. An election by the Board put Marie Bagley as Chairman, Edward Cruz as Clerk, and James Howell as a Board member.

During the year the Board took in the following fees as revenue:

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| Perc test observations | \$6,300 |
| Disposal Works Permits | 2,485 |
| Food Service Permits | 1,000 |
| Installers Permits | 735 |
| Retail Food | 600 |
| Milk & Cream | 300 |
| Septic Haulers Licenses | 240 |
| Dog Clinic | 134 |
| Mobile Food | 60 |
| Piggery License | 35 |
| Bakery Permit | 25 |
| Motel License | 25 |
| Mobile Home Parks | 10 |
| Total | <u>\$11,949</u> |

We wish to thank the Visiting Nurse Association for their help throughout the year in running the different programs. Our Public Health Nurse is in this office for the public every first and third Tuesday, when she does blood pressures, sugar level tests and TB Mantoux testing. She is here from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Their report can be found in a separate section of this report.

Throughout the year we have worked closely with various State and local agencies and their agents.

We would also like to thank all other Town Departments for their cooperation throughout the year.

The Board members have attended quarterly meetings of the S.E.A.B.O.H., which were held at various locations. A workshop was held and two people attended this on two consecutive Saturdays. The workshop was on Title 5, and was very informative. One member also attended a course held at Massasoit College. This course dealt with Land Use Development.

The Board is pleased to announce that the General Health of the Town is good.

The Board of Health meets on the first and third Wednesday evening of each month, in the Board of Health Office at the Town Hall. The meetings begin at 7 p.m. with the agenda beginning at 7:30. the office is open Tuesday through Thursday from 8:30 to 2:30, for applications or any questions or information that you may need.

Respectfully Submitted,
 Marie Bagley, *Chairman*
 Edward Cruz, *Clerk*
 James Howell, *Member*

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my annual report as Chief of the Fire Department of the Town of West Bridgewater for the year 1987.

Personnel

The personnel of the fire department consists of the following: one (1) permanent Chief, one (1) permanent Deputy Chief, three (3) permanent Lieutenants, four (4) permanent Firefighters, one (1) call Captain, and nineteen (19) call Firefighters. All of the eight (8) permanent firefighters are certified as Emergency Medical Technicians at the national and state level. Two (2) of the call Firefighters are nationally and state registered and three (3) call Firefighters are state registered only.

Apparatus

Engine #1, 1978 Hendrickson/Farrar 1250 GPM pumper, Engine #2, 1986 Emergency One/GMC 1000 GPM pumper, Combination #1, 1968 Pierre/Thibault/Dodge (4 wheel drive) 500 GPM auxiliary pump, combination #2, 1967 Ford (4 wheel drive), Ladder #1, 1953 Mack 85' Aerial Ladder, Rescue #1, 1963 Ford Step Van, Ambulance #1, 1984 Horton/Chevrolet, Chief's Car, 1984 Ford Sedan (Former Police Cruiser).

Statistical Report

During the year 1987 the Fire Department responded to a total of one thousand two hundred and five calls (1,205). Of this figure, six hundred and seventy-one (671) were ambulance calls. These ambulance incidents returned approximately \$45,000 in revenue to the town.

Permits Issued/Inspections made:

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|------------------|-----|
| Smoke detectors: | 118 |
| Burning/Brush: | 486 |
| Cookouts: | 248 |
| Gunpowder: | 24 |
| Rockets: | 12 |
| Oil Burner: | 287 |

Drills and Training

Monthly drills are conducted for all personnel of the Fire Department in an effort to keep the personnel familiar with the equipment and its uses and functions. All members of the department are recertified annually in cardiopulmonary resuscitation as well as basic first aid. Both recertifications are required by state law.

Inspections

All residential properties that are sold are required to be inspected for a sufficient number of operating smoke detectors. In line with this, many banks are requiring smoke detector inspections for remortgage and home improvement loans.

Also, along these lines, all new construction within the town has involved the Fire Department's approval of items such as building plans, sprinkler system locations, and internal fire alarm systems. Due to the lack of daytime, on-duty, personnel and the above mentioned inspections, we are unable to provide regular inspections of the Industrial, Commercial, and Mercantile establishments on a regular basis which already exist. This condition tends to seriously hamper our ability to be familiar with the rapid and varied changes taking place in our community.

Inspections were also made and decals applied to eighty-five (85) trucks engaged in the transportation of Flammable Fluids, classes A and B.

Fire Prevention

Fire prevention lectures were given at the elementary school level during Fire Prevention Week in October. Also, many businesses in town requested that we give training sessions and lectures to their employees. These lectures, covering both fire hazards and emergency medical situations, were very well received by those persons who attended them and plans are already being made to repeat them next year. We are also presently making plans to hold lectures in both of the forementioned categories for town employess in the Highway, Water, Forestry and Clerical departments.

“Red Ball” and “Invalid” stickers, as provided by the department by the West Bridgewater Firefighters Association, were placed on all homes in the town where requested. These stickers, which help to locate children and/or invalids, are an invaluable tool to firefighters in the event that a problem should occur in your home. Any town resident wishing to have these stickers placed on their home may do so by contacting the department at 586-4137. These stickers will be provided free of charge.

Right to Know Law

As I have mentioned in previous reports, I, as municipal coordinator, and Deputy Chief Leonard T. Hunt as acting municipal coordinator, have overseen the implementation of this law since 1985. During the year 1987, there were no requests for investigations relative to this law.

Requests and Recommendations

I am requesting this year that monies be appropriated to purchase telephone recording equipment for our phones. Recent experience has shown us that this equipment can be invaluable when a call for our assistance is received or an investigation into the results of that call are needed.

I am also requesting that consideration be given to the replacement of the Rescue truck. This vehicle, purchased in 1963, has served the department well, but is outdated for the type of operation of present day firefighting. This truck would be replaced with a "Rescue/Pumper" type vehicle which would allow us to increase our pumping capacity as well as giving us a vehicle that is more versatile. The present truck has no water pumping capability and, therefore, is limited in its use. I have, again this year, included in my budget the cost of additional personnel in the department. As I have stated in the past, with the additional responsibilities given the department, and the yearly increase in serious incidents that the Fire Department responds to, we must increase the number of personnel that is available to respond to these calls.

In closing, I would like to thank the Officers and men of the Fire Department for their continued cooperation and support, and all the individuals who comprise the Boards, Committees, and Departments of the town for the assistance given to the Fire Department during the past year.

Respectfully Submitted,
Charles A. Dyke, *Chief*

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

To The Trustees of the Public Library:

The year 1987 is a year of transition for the public library. Since the town has approved the building of a new library facility, we are adjusting our services to make an effective transition possible.

Children's services continue to be a very important part of the library's focus. This year's theme was train travel. The program ran for six weeks and over 50 children in grades K through 6 participated. Some of the activities for the program included a once-a-week craft program and a grand finale to the program by the juggling trio, "The Suspenders." Over 125 people attended their delightful performance.

Our Interlibrary Loan process has improved significantly with the addition of our ability to search for items through an on-line automated system offered by the Boston Public Library. Our library processed over 471 requests for materials that we did not own through the use of this system.

The library has added, through the generosity of the Friends of the Library, two passes to the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston and from grant awards from the West Bridgewater Arts Lottery Council, one pass which admits a family of four to the Harvard Museums of Natural History, including the Glass Flower Exhibit, and one pass for a family of four to Plimoth Plantation. All of these are available for our patrons to use in the coming year.

The Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners has awarded the Library a \$6,000 grant to improve services to the teenage population of the town. At the release of these funds, the library will acquire new materials including audio cassettes and listening equipment for in-library use and for borrowing from the library by our young patrons.

The library hopes to move our collection of over 30,000 volumes and its new services to the new facility in 1989.

We look forward to serving the residents of West Bridgewater and hope for your continued support.

Respectfully Submitted,
Elaine DeMarco, *Director*

REPORT OF THE VETERAN'S SERVICES

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

In the course of the year, nine veterans or dependents of a veteran were assisted with financial or medical assistance. Thirty veterans or dependents were assisted with other various services.

Refunds in the amount of \$1,709.99 were received from a Workman's Compensation case and from a Veterans' Administration reimbursement. These refunds are turned in to our town Treasurer upon receipt.

Funds in the amount of \$2,173.00 were made available by the Office of Commissioner of Veteran Services in Boston for maintenance and repair of veterans graves and memorials in municipal cemeteries. With the assistance of our town Tree Warden, three old cemeteries were surveyed and repairs made by Bartlett Consolidated, Inc. of Plymouth. Mostly slate tablets of veterans of the War of Revolution Circa 1775 through the early 1800s were found to be in need of repair. The cemeteries are located on Matfield, Walnut and South Streets.

The quarterly computer reports were sent to our main office in Boston to review the accuracy of information provided by recipients of veterans benefits.

Respectfully Submitted,
Armen Amerigian, *Veterans Agent*

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS

During the year 1987 the Board of Appeals held sixteen (16) public hearings. These hearings dealt with the following:

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| Variance requests dealing with setbacks | 10 |
| Variance requests dealing with sub-division of land | 2 |
| Special Permit requests | 2 |
| Sign Variance requests | 1 |
| Change of zoning district request | 1 |

The following is a breakdown of the decisions made:

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| Variances or permits granted | 14 |
| Variances denied | 1 |
| Variances withdrawn | 1 |

Respectfully Submitted,
William E. Turner, Jr., *Chairman*
Henry Podolsky, *Vice Chairman*
Harry Ketler, *Member*
George Merritt, *Member*
James Wolfsberg, *Member*
William Lucini, *Alt. Member, Clerk*
Michael Feresten, *Alt. Member, Clerk*

REPORT OF THE GAS INSPECTOR

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby respectfully submit my annual report for the year 1987. There were 88 Gas applications filed for gasfitting permits for the year.

There were 146 Gas Fitting Inspections made in the following types of buildings:

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| New Dwellings | 6 |
| Old Dwellings | 58 |
| Commercial Buildings | 27 |
| Public Buildings | 1 |

There were 123 Gas appliances installed.

There were 3 Propane Gas installations.

The Massachusetts State Gas Code is used for all gas installations.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joseph F. Donovan, *Inspector of Gasfitting*

REPORT OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCING AGENCY

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of West Bridgewater:

Although none of the small business participants in Industrial Development Bonds during 1987 were located in our town, it is of value to know that the Massachusetts Industrial Finance Agency late in 1986 managed to issue a \$21.4 million bond pool backed by AAA-rated Dutch bank Rabobank Nederland. It became the largest tax-exempt composite bond pool in the entire country and financed 12 Massachusetts small business expansions and created 254 jobs.

The second MIFA-Rabobank pool of \$11.6 million, issued in May 1987, financed 7 more small business expansions and added another 265 jobs in Massachusetts.

The latest IDB pool for 8 small companies were issued in November 1987 for \$13.9 million and created yet another 150 more manufacturing jobs.

Despite unprecedented market conditions, excellent financing was obtained for the above pools and we remain prepared to assist any local business interests looking to join the MIFA Bond Pool and locate in our industrial area.

Respectfully Submitted,
Madelyn T. Burke, *Chairman*
Donald L. MacIver
Joseph L. McMorro
Peter M. McPhail

REPORT OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Elderly Housing at Esther Drive celebrated its fifteenth year of occupancy in 1987. An informal social was held by the Board in the Robert E. McFadden Hall in November to celebrate this occasion. The tenants, past board members and former executive directors were invited to attend. The Tenants Association combined their Annual Christmas Party with the Anniversary in December. The Board members and their wives were invited to attend and we thank the association for a lovely evening.

The Authority has made application to the state for new elderly as well as affordable family housing. The Board of Selectmen as well as the Housing Authority Board are excited about the prospect of this. We are anxiously awaiting to hear from the Executive Office of Communities and Development as to whether we will be considered for this much needed new housing for our elderly as well as families.

The West Bridgewater Housing Board wishes to thank the police, fire, ambulance, as well as other town departments who have been most helpful and responsive to the needs of the tenants here at Esther Drive.

The Bridgewater Visiting Nurse Association continues to conduct health clinics on the fourth Tuesday of each month at the hall in the complex. This service is available to all senior citizens of the town.

Father Mansfield of St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church celebrates Mass on the first Friday of each month in the hall at Esther Drive. He hopes to continue doing this if there are enough interested in attending. This is open to others who would like to attend.

Thanks go out to the Council on Aging for services provided to the elders of the town. Congratulations from the Housing Authority are extended to Joan Johnson on her new position with the C.O.A. We will continue to work to make West Bridgewater a better place for our senior citizens. J.O.Y. still continues to be the central gathering place for the seniors of the town. We thank that organization for caring and providing for them.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marion L. Leonard, *Secretary*
Albert M. Greiner, *Chairman*
Robert L. Kellie
Carl R. Bystrom
Richard C. Williams
Marion H. Bartell, *State Member*

REPORT OF THE VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Health care continues to be a major concern in today's world. With the graying of America, more sophisticated medical procedures and our population growth, there is an increased need for services. However, with mandated decreases in reimbursement for all providers we are in a "Catch 22" situation.

Patients needing home health care are being discharged "quicker and sicker" but guidelines for reimbursement are more restrictive with the result that patient visits are decreased and so too is the Agency income.

With wellness as a major priority, we provide a wide variety of community service programs such as clinics, health conferences, a health and fitness fair, a well child clinic and flu clinics. These are non-reimbursed for the residents of West Bridgewater.

During fiscal year 1986-1987 we have provided the following services:

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| Nursing Visits | 1,027 |
| Physical Therapy | 180 |
| Occupational Therapy | 44 |
| Medical Social Worker | 24 |
| Home Health Aide | 1,163 |
| Total | 2,438 |

Community services have included participation in the Fitness Fair, the Fuel Assistance Program and Cancer Screening. Red Cross Certified Baby Sitting Classes have been conducted. In addition, monthly health conferences have been held at Esther Drive and an Evening Health Conference at the Bridgewater Visiting Nurse Headquarters for the 18 to 60 year old group and those who cannot attend daytime conferences. 101 clients were seen at these various conferences (31 West Bridgewater residents and 70 Bridgewater residents) for a total of 372 visits.

Non-reimbursed services delivered during the fiscal year had a dollar value of \$32,091.50.

Contract have been made with Home Health and Child Care Services, Inc., Rehabilitation Services, Inc., MA Easter Seal Society, Gilmar Associates, James Williston, M.Ed., CCC-SP, for therapists and home health aides; and an agreement with Foster Medical Corporation for sick room equipment and supplies.

Clinics . . . the professional staff and volunteers from the Board of Directors have assisted with the health conferences and clinics for hypertension, lead poisoning, diabetes, glaucoma, influenza and TB Mantoux testing.

Accreditation . . . The Agency is fully certified by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Public Health.

Administration . . . governing the Agency is a volunteer Board of Directors (24) assisted by a volunteer Group of Professional Personnel (17), representing business and professional men and women as well as consumers.

Professional Staff . . . includes Ann P. Kirkpatrick, BSN, Supervisor/Administrator, and the following registered professional nurses: Jeannette Irving, RN, BS, alternate supervisor and senior nurse; Diane Glass, BSN, Kathryn Heimerdinger, BSN, Kathleen LeBrun, BSN and Patricia Urban, RN. Eleanor Binda serves as executive secretary and Philip Casey as statistician/billing clerk.

Home Health Aides . . . Patricia Guilfooy, Joanne Johnson, Helen Meuse and Betty Surgens.

Respectfully Submitted,
Eleanore D. MacCurdy, *President*

REPORT OF THE OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of West Bridgewater:

As your representatives to the Old Colony Planning Council we are pleased to present this report of the Council's activities for 1987.

The Council, through its non-profit organizational entity OCPC-Regional Operations and Management, Inc., has acquired the historic Brockton Edison Electric Power Station originally constructed in 1883 to be renovated and restored as offices for the Council. The building is strategically located across from the Brockton City Hall on School and Montello Streets in Brockton and is an important element in the program to revitalize the City Center. The Council was awarded a matching grant of \$50,000 to assist in the restoration of the building by the Massachusetts Historical Commission and should occupy the space sometime after May 1, 1988.

The planning and management activities of the Council in 1987 continued to be focused in three major areas: Community and Economic Development Planning; Transportation and Transit Planning; and, Elder Services Planning as the Area Agency on Aging. Increased funding was made available to the Council in 1987 through a Regional Planning Agency grant fund program administered by the Executive Office of Communities and Development. These grants are used by the Council to address problems and issues of regional concern.

Development activity continued to be strong in the region during the year while housing prices reached all time high levels and then tended to stabilize. Unemployment was at low levels during the year responding to the generally favorable economic conditions. However, affordable housing is rapidly becoming a major concern in many communities where a growing proportion of the population is unable to afford to purchase their own home. The Council, in cooperation with its member communities, must begin to examine the practicality of revising local land use controls to facilitate the development of additional housing opportunities in the future.

In 1987 John J. DeMarco of Avon was elected as President of OCPC; Robert W. Smith of East Bridgewater was elected as Council Secretary; and, James A. Kassos of Brockton was elected as Council Treasurer.

The Council gratefully acknowledges the generous support and cooperation of its member communities, the participation and involvement of members of the Joint Transportation Committee chaired by Mr. John Yaney; the Overall Economic Development Committee chaired by Mr. Joseph Joseph; and, the Area Agency on Aging Advisory Committee chaired by Mr. John Mather. The Council also recognizes the work of local boards and commissions and the many government agencies, public and private institutions and individuals who have assisted the Council.

Respectfully Submitted,
Eldon F. Moreira, *Delegate*

REPORT OF SELF HELP INCORPORATED

Self Help, Inc., is greater Brockton's and Attleboro's anti-poverty agency dedicated to improving the quality of life of limited income individuals and families, and making all segments of the community responsive to the needs of the limited income, disadvantaged and minority needs.

During the program year ending September 30, 1987, Self Help Inc., received a total funding of \$11.6M and provided 476,669 direct services to the area's limited income individuals and families.

212 residents received 212 direct services totaling \$79,127 during the program year.

The total funding of \$11,639,819 does not tell the real value of human services delivered to the area as a whole. Self Help's funding enables us to mobilize an additional \$917,512 of other community resources such as Commonwealth Service Corp. and local cities and towns contributions as well as volunteers. The gross volume of Self Help during the past program year was approximately \$12.6 million.

Self Help currently employs 260 individuals, many of whom are limited income and minorities.

We feel that the program year 10/1/86 to 9/30/87 was a successful one for Self Help, Inc., and very helpful to our limited income population. We thank the area's Mayors, Boards of Selectemen, town volunteers and your representative, Mr. Donald Shurtleff to our Board of Directors for helping to make our program year a success.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ulysses G. Shelton, Jr., *Executive Director*

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF WIRES

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| Edison Service Permits (including construction services, meter changes) | 103 |
| Rough Wiring (condos, additions, new houses) | 97 |
| Electric Ranges | 14 |
| Electric Dryers | 10 |
| Electric Water Heaters | 8 |
| Oil Burners | 15 |
| Pools | 12 |
| Miscellaneous | 15 |
| Finals (condos, additions, new houses) | 31 |
| Add Outlets | 15 |
| Signs | 3 |
| Fire Calls | 3 |

The latest edition of the Massachusetts Electrical Code was used as a basis of all inspections with no special rules applied. This department thanks all those who have assisted us in the past year.

Respectfully Submitted,
Albert M. Greiner, *Inspector of Wires*

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

To The Honorable Board of Selectment and the Citizens of West Bridgewater:

The following is the report of the Dog Officer for the Canine Control Department for 1987:

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| Dogs Impounded | 123 |
| Dogs Claimed by Owners | 54 |
| Dogs Adopted Out From Pound | 27 |
| Dogs Turned Over to S.P.C.A. for Placement or Euthanasia | 42 |
| Odd Livestock, Cats, Birds, and Wildlife Taken | 67 |
| Approximately 5 to 8 calls per day. | |

I am pleased to announce that most dogs not claimed found new, permanent, responsible families to adopt them through my own Adoption Program as well as assistance from the M.S.P.C.A. In Brockton. This year, starting in January, things will be a little tougher though because of a new law taking effect. The new law will require an adoption fee for each animal that is adopted. The fees will be \$10 to \$30 depending on the animal adopted. This fee will be held by the Dog Officer until such time as the new owner shows proof of having the new pet neutered. In the past we were unable to mandate neutering, so in this way the law is excellent. It will cut down on homeless and stray companion animals. I also have the low cost Spay Program for anyone wishing to have their pet neutered and cannot afford the regular fees.

At this time I wish to thank all the citizens of West Bridgewater who contributed blankets, bowls, newspapers and dog food. A special thanks to Ms. Veronica Cobbs for her help in the Adoption Program and for her grooming services.

My sincere thanks to the West Bridgewater Police Officers for their assistance throughout the year and to the citizens of West Bridgewater for their support, Ms. Diane Saunders and Mrs. Debra Lloyd for their efforts in finding new homes for abandoned animals of all kinds.

Respectfully Submitted,
Julie Vivace, *Dog Officer*
Canine Control Department

REPORT OF THE ARTS LOTTERY COUNCIL

The Arts Lottery Council consists of no less than 5 and no more than 25 appointed by the selectman under the provisions of G.L. Chapter 10, Section 35C to administer funds allocated to the Town from the Massachusetts Art Lottery. Applications for grants from the council are available at the Town Clerk's office and at the Library. Twice annually the local Council receives funds from the State Council and every six months the Council acts on applications submitted to it.

The Council received distributions from the Massachusetts Arts Lottery Council in 1987 in the amount of \$3,594. Some of the projects funded by the Council in 1987 were children's theater, storytelling, free passes to Plimoth Plantation, Museum of Fine Arts and Harvard University Museum. Passes may be picked up at the Public Library.

Membership on the Council currently consists of: Donald Adams, Cheryl A. Adams, Paul R. Brown, William McCann, Elizabeth Muckenthaler, Elizabeth McMohan, Karen Moran, Theodore Nystrom, Carolyn LePage.

The Council is in need of additional members and anyone interested should contact the Selectmen, the appointing authority.

Respectfully Submitted,
Paul R. Brown, *Chairman*

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby respectfully submit my annual report for the year 1987.

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| Number of Dairy Cows over two years | 206 | Number of Beef Herds | 1 |
| Number of Dairy Heifers one to two years | 68 | Number of Horses | 108 |
| Number of Dairy Calves under one year | 60 | Number of Ponies | 18 |
| Number of Dairy Bulls | 4 | Number of Goats | 15 |
| Number of Dairy Steers | 4 | Number of Sheep | 14 |
| Number of Dairy Herds | 4 | Number of Swine | 150 |
| Number of Beef Heifers one to two years | 1 | Number of Swine Herds | 1 |
| Number of Beef Bulls | 1 | Number of Poultry Flocks | 3 |
| | | Number of Dog Bites Reported to Animal | |
| | | Inspector for Quarantine | 15 |

Respectfully Submitted,
Leo E. Moroni, *Inspector of Animals*

REPORT OF THE FORESTRY AND PARKS DEPARTMENT

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As in past summers, the Forestry and Parks Department has maintained six town-owned cemeteries, War Memorial Park, sixteen greens at intersections, the town hall grounds and Legion Memorial Baseball Field, all of which were mowed and trimmed on a weekly basis during the season.

It is difficult maintaining War Memorial Park when vandalism is one of the biggest problems encountered there. This occurs both day and night and is very hard to stop. I urge all residents, if this activity is spotted, please report it as soon as possible. War Memorial Park should be used, not abused.

Summer months are also a time for the eradication of hornets and wasps. We responded to numerous calls from residents bothered by these annoying pests. Also, with a strict program for the spraying of poison ivy, calls for this nuisance have become fewer over the years.

The battle against the aggravating mosquito last summer was upgraded somewhat. Funded by the Board of Health and supervised by this department, we increased spraying from two months in the summer to four. With all the problems mosquitos bring to humans and animals we cannot afford to do any less.

A periodical nightly program for the spraying of public shade trees will begin again this year. We will try to accommodate every street in town at least once barring any problems encountered by weather conditions. This project is most important because of the ever growing population of the damaging insect world that thrives on the beauty that is New England, our trees.

Keeping in line with the planting of young trees, replacing those lost by disease, damage, salt, insects and pollution, is also most important. A total of only 23 new trees were planted last year. This was due to increases in the cost of purchasing.

Elimination of roadside trees that were diseased or damaged was accomplished in the winter months, mostly with the help of hydraulic bucket trucks which were contracted by this department. This was necessary because of the proximity of utility wires or over private property preventing the elimination in one piece.

Our department's two platform trucks and drivers cooperated with the Highway Department in the removal of snow and ice. Due to salty conditions that occur when plowing, it was necessary for the Highway to fabricate a new rear section on one truck. This came as a great savings to the department. My thanks to the men of the Highway for a job professionally well done.

Another savings in repair has again been accomplished with the experienced and knowledgeable help of Len Graf, a member and asset to the Water Department. Much thanks and appreciation to him for his quick response to mechanical problems that sometimes set us back.

I would also like to thank the men of this department for their loyalty and dedication in the work area. In an understaffed department they have accomplished all that has been asked. Without this, a superintendent has a more difficult job.

Finally, my thanks are extended to all departments, boards and residents of the Town of West Bridgewater. Cooperation on all levels have made for a year of smooth sailing.

Respectfully Submitted,
Philip D. MacQuinn, *Tree Warden*

**ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
WEST BRIDGEWATER
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**

REPORT OF THE WEST BRIDGEWATER SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Nineteen eighty-seven brought many changes to the School Committee and to the School Department. In January 1987, we regretfully received the resignation of Mr. Matthew Travers, our newest member, due to a relocation. Mr. William Oakhem was selected to replace him, until the next town election, at a joint meeting of the Committee and the Board of Selectmen. The election in April saw the return of Mr. Oakhem to complete the term and Mr. Frederick Fitch's election to the seat vacated by Mr. Leo Cronin, who chose not to seek re-election. The Committee joins the town in thanking Mr. Cronin for his years of service to the students of West Bridgewater, both as a committee member and as a very able chairman. Mrs. Linda Santry was re-elected to her seat on the Committee.

Early in the year the Committee received a very comprehensive report from the Blue Ribbon Sports Panel. Their major suggestion for the addition of a High School soccer program was later implemented when the School Department budget was approved at the Annual Town Meeting. The locker rooms were completely refurbished in the spring and field repair work was begun. Other suggestions will be implemented as soon as the budget permits.

A letter from a concerned parent led the Committee, in early March, to formulate an AIDS Action Plan to deal with the growing threat of this virus. Since we felt this was a community issue as well as an educational issue, the Committee authorized the formation of an AIDS Task Force to develop a plan for educating our students and the citizenry in a manner suited to West Bridgewater. Their recommendations have provided the schools with a comprehensive plan that will serve as a basis for our work for several years. We commend the parents, medical professionals and staff members for their thoughtful, sensible approach to this difficult issue.

In June the Committee received a structural analysis of our buildings outlining the repair work needed to keep them in good condition. Unfortunately it showed that much work needs to be done on the roofs at the Junior-Senior High School and the Rose L. MacDonald School, in addition to brick work, caulking and window replacement. The Committee plans to work with the Building Needs and Use Committee and the Finance Committee to develop a plan for dealing with this very costly issue. With the town's support at town meeting, funds were obtained for the replacement of two boilers at the Junior-Senior High School. This work was completed in the early fall, and significant savings have been seen in the energy accounts. Other maintenance work has begun to bring our buildings back to a condition of which the town can be proud.

As a result of the work of our Horace Mann Teachers, the committee has implemented plans for an extended gifted and talented program and a new health curriculum for grades K-12. Discussion is continuing on a summer enrichment program. A new computer link with the Southeastern Regional Vocational

School has led to the on-site computerization of our attendance, grade reports, scheduling, and financial reports.

The Special Education Steering Committee provided us with an extensive report to help implement many of the suggestions made in other studies that were received. Plans for accomplishing their goals are continuing. Our thanks go out to the parents and staff members for their work on this project.

The Committee was deeply disturbed this spring and summer over the deaths of a secretary, Lorraine Anderson, a student, Melissa Reed, a teacher, Mr. Paul Sargent, and a custodian, Mr. Charles Droukas. All four will be greatly missed. To honor these people various memorials have been planned. A plaque will be placed in the high school lobby listing all deceased students, the gymnasium will be named in honor of Mr. Sargent, and the flagpole at the Howard School will be dedicated to Mr. Droukas.

In the fall it was learned that our Special Education Director, Mr. Thomas Peters, was forced to take a medical leave due to ill health. The Committee accepted, with regret, his request for early retirement. Mr. Peters was a member of our School Department for 29 years and his expertise will be missed.

The Committee continues to work, with the support of the town, to provide our students with the best possible education. Our immediate goals are to modify our junior and senior high school programs to address the problem of declining enrollment, while expanding to meet the demands of today's world. We can look on our students with pride as they successfully take their place in the world. We thank the townspeople and town departments who have always supported our efforts.

Respectfully Submitted,
Linda Santry, *Chairman*
Joseph Kennedy, *Vice-chairman*
Paul Curnutte, *Clerk*
Betty Alden Miller
William Oakhem
Frederick Fitch

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

My fourth town report as the Superintendent of the West Bridgewater Schools is written during a time of potential school regionalization of the towns of East and West Bridgewater. All studies have been completed, numerous meetings have been held to discuss the issue, and efforts have been made to share the information with all segments of the school and community populations. If the

Regional Planning Board votes affirmatively, the question will be brought to the Town Meetings of East and West Bridgewater.

In my opinion, the extensive studies indicate that a better education can be provided to the students of both towns if regionalization takes place. To the credit of everyone associated with the study, the emphasis has been placed on providing a better educational opportunity rather than a concentration on the fiscal benefits for both communities.

The question of regionalization is, however, most complex. Although the studies show the opportunity for a much richer K-12 curriculum, the intangibles remain as major factors in the decision. Questions regarding loss of identity, composition of athletic teams, extra-curricular offerings, and the powerful impact of change are vital to the success of a regional school system.

The objectivity of town officials, parents, citizens, teachers, administrators, and students have been commendable. We have learned a great deal about each other in the process. Even if the issue of regionalization is defeated, we will emerge as a stronger school system because of this intense effort to look at our current and future offerings. It is time to decide. It is time to let the “good sense of the matter emerge.”

It is reasonable to project that regionalization will “make a good school system better.” It should be emphasized, however, that we presently have a good school system. Our most recent Massachusetts Basic Skills Test scores showed that over 95 percent of our students tested passed the reading, writing, and mathematics tests. In addition, over 67 percent had a score of 90 or better on the reading and mathematics tests. This is an exceptional result. Our athletic teams excel. We were very competitive in our first year of interscholastic soccer competition. Approximately sixty percent of our seniors go to colleges and universities.

The building maintenance program continues to favorably impact our school plant and facilities. In 1987, two old boilers were replaced in the High School. In addition, work continues on ceiling replacement, locker repair, and painting. A study has shown that extensive work must be performed on the outside structures of our buildings, including work on roofs. The cost of this projected work to protect our buildings is over one million dollars. We plan to work closely with the Board of Selectmen, the Municipal Building Needs and Use Committee, and Finance Committee on this building improvement program.

A report on 1987 must include a note of loss for the school system. During the year we lost four people who represent the three main components of our schools — the instructional staff, the support staff, and our students. The High School Gymnasium was recently dedicated to Paul Sargent, a teacher and coach for many years in West Bridgewater. The tributes paid to him during the ceremony were a direct result of his commitment to students. Charles Droukas, a custodian at Howard School, died during the school year. While he was in the hospital, hundreds of cards to “Chocolate Charlie” were sent by students and teachers.

Lorraine Anderson, a secretary for 15 years at the Rose L. MacDonald School, also died last year. Staff members took turns visiting her during her illness. Her loss was deeply felt by staff and students. A student, Melissa Reed, was lost in a tragic traffic accident. She was loved and respected by everyone who knew her. A concert was given by students and adults to establish a scholarship fund in her memory. Their losses were felt by every member of our school system.

In conclusion a special note of appreciation must be directed to the West Bridgewater School Committee. Their support and courage have been a consistent positive influence during the past years. The retirement of Thomas Peters, our SPED Director, will mark the end of an era spanning almost 30 years. His dedication, spirit, and commitment will continue to serve as a landmark for this school system. The cooperation of all town departments, the Selectmen, Finance Committee, School Committee, teachers, parents, residents, students, and administrators is necessary for a school system to function effectively. This cooperation has been most evident. In behalf of everyone associated with the West Bridgewater Public Schools, this opportunity will be used to say thank you.

Respectfully submitted,
Ronald P. Gerhart, *Superintendent of Schools*

Curriculum Report

In regard to the overall picture of curriculum in the West Bridgewater Schools, significant progress has been made. As judged by both the Curriculum Assessment and Basic Skills tests, now state-mandated under Chapter 188, West Bridgewater's scores compared most favorably to both state averages and "kind-of-community" results. The reports contained nothing to disprove that we in the schools already believe: that the students of West Bridgewater receive a good, basic education which will prepare them well for the future.

Although the prime focus is the constant evaluation of what we are already teaching, new programs have also been added during the 1987-1988 school year. At grades three and seven, programs for the academically able are now in place, building on the success of our flagship program, TOP HAT, which functions at the Howard School level. A new health program will also be initiated this year, K-12, as will AIDS instruction for grades 5-12.

The West Bridgewater Schools are involved in two interesting curriculum consortiums with neighboring towns. Working under the auspices of Bridgewater State College, joint ventures and grant possibilities are being explored. The other, "Teachers on Tour," is just getting organized under the aegis of Stonehill College.

Mick Janelli

West Bridgewater Junior Senior High School

The high school art program in West Bridgewater is aimed at establishing a solid foundation in the visual arts for:

1. The creative student who desires training for one of the 180 art or art-related careers.
2. The interested student who wishes to explore his/her talents for a vocational or hobby pastimes.

Developing a critical eye, creative and innovative thinking and a skillful hand, assists art students in creative problem solving and decision making skills that are essential to success in life as well as in artistic activities.

The art department is currently developing courses with appeal to a greater cross-section of the student population.

Students work in a studio environment. The first three quarters of the year they work on creative problem solving assignments. The final quarter of the year students contract to work on projects of their special interest and talents.

This year several art students received major art awards from the National Scholastic Art Competition. Chris Zibelli, Lisa Breer, Dawn Hayes and Marianne Swift won State awards. All works were exhibited first at the Heritage Plantation then in Fanueil Hall in April. Marianne Swift won an Honorable Mention in the National Competition.

A grant was written in the Spring for field trips into Boston to visit art museums and galleries. The grant was accepted and the monies will be used in the spring of 1988.

Three exhibits are held annually. The Fall and Spring Shows are in conjunction with Parent-Teacher Conferences. The Senior Exhibit is held late May. The public is sincerely welcomed.

The Junior High School Art Program serves all seventh and eighth grade students: all eighth graders in the fall semester and seventh graders in the spring semester. Students meet three times weekly and explore line and design, calligraphy, drawing, color, architecture and graphic design. In addition to the regular art classes, an arts and crafts class is offered as a fifth period activity. Approximately 20-30 students participate in a variety of folk crafts during the year. A field trip to Sturbridge Village in Sturbridge, Massachusetts is available for 8th grade students.

In conjunction with Junior High Classroom Challenge, the Junior High Art Department conducts the Great Pumpkin Contest in October and an Art Show during Spring Parent Conferences. Students also participate in the Boston Globe Scholastic Art Awards. Brian Connelly, Kris Watson and Stacey Peckham received Honorable Mention in the Regional Competition held at Heritage Plantation, the first West Bridgewater Junior High students to be so honored.

The goals of the West Bridgewater athletic, intramural and physical education programs are to develop skills, values and attitudes along with a competitive spirit which will enable our students to take their place in today's active fast-paced society.

Our athletic program should not be thought of as an entity in itself but as an integral part of the total educational experience. The athletic and physical education experiences encountered by our students help them to develop cognitive, psychomotor and affective skills which cannot be accounted for anywhere else in the educational process.

During the 1986-1987 school year there were some 461 students involved in the West Bridgewater athletic and intramural programs.

Two hundred and ninety-six student athletes represented West Bridgewater in some 175 varsity and sub-varsity contests. During the 1986-1987 school year there were 145 students involved in the intramural program which included the activities of volleyball, basketball, weight training, and Jr. High recreational games.

As has been the history of the cheerleading squad over the past few years, the performance of our twenty member varsity and sub-varsity squad was outstanding. The dance routines performed by both squads certainly demonstrate the long hours of practice which the girls put into each show.

The 1986-1987 school year was one marked by the addition of a soccer program at the high school level, and rebirth of our Jr. High basketball program for boys and girls. Both of these programs proved to be huge successes with some 25 students being involved with our soccer program, and some 18 boys and girls respectively on our Jr. High basketball teams.

The 1986-1987 school year again proved to be a very successful one for the West Bridgewater athletic teams as can be seen by the following list of accomplishments.

| SPORT | HONORS |
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| Field Hockey | Mayflower League Champions State Tourney |
| Girls Basketball | Mayflower League Champions Mayflower League Playoff Champions State Tourney |
| Girls Softball | Mayflower League Champions State Tourney |

In addition to the excellent team performances during the year, many West Bridgewater athletes earned individual honors for their outstanding performances as follows:

| NAME | SPORT | HONOR |
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| Steve Boardman | Football | All League |
| Jim Howell | Soccer | All League |
| Dan Kwash | Soccer | All League |
| Tom Carriere | Soccer | All League |
| Chris Holmes | Golf | All League |
| Sue DeMolles | Field Hockey | All League All Scholastic |
| Bonnie Rascicot | Field Hockey | All League |
| Hope McCarthy | Field Hockey | All League |
| Jen Rice | Field Hockey | All League |
| Chris Trabulsie | Cross Country | All League |
| Brian LaBree | Cross Country | All League |
| Kim Kilpatrick | Cross Country | All League |
| Lyall Armstrong | Boys Basketball | All League |
| Cindy Boyd | Girls Basketball | All League |
| Kristin Cogswell | Girls Basketball | All League |
| Sue DeMolles | Girls Basketball | All League All Scholastic |
| Cindy Boyd | Softball | All League |
| Michelle Turner | Softball | All League |
| Sue DeMolles | Softball | All League |
| Mike Vallon | Baseball | All League |
| Bonnie Rascicot | Track | All League |
| Kerri-Nickerson | Tennis | All League |

The elements of winning and competition, though they do exist, do not determine the nature of our programs. While we encourage our students to excel, the principles of sportsmanship and fair play are of primary importance at all times in order to enhance the educational values associated with athletic participation.

It is often asked, "What values are derived from athletic participation?" Aside from the obvious physical values, the West Bridgewater student athlete learns the meaning of sportsmanship, cooperation and commitment. These lessons are among the most important to be learned by the young people of today.

This year The Business Department is staffed by Mrs. Gail Callahan, Business Coordinator, and Mr. Robert Lopes. Together they are responsible for teaching nine and a half classes.

Once again the West Bridgewater Junior-Senior High School Business Department has successfully written a Federal Grant. The grant for \$3,060 was written by Mrs. Callahan. Funds were used to upgrade existing equipment.

This year a new half-year course taught by Mr. Lopes and titled *Computer Applications* was offered. Currently, students in grades 10–12 may elect the course, but it is hoped, as new computers become available, that grades 7, 8 and 9 will also have access to the course.

Business curriculum has been completely updated and submitted to the curriculum director.

Finally, the Federal Grant Advisory Board met in October and expressed a concern as to the type of computer equipment utilized by the Business Department. They viewed the computers currently in use as having served their purpose, but now recommend we move to modernize and purchase IBM or IBM compatible computers for class use. They stressed that IBM is now the industry standard and that our students would prosper by utilizing them in school.

The English Department continues to offer a variety and range of courses for students in grades 7-12. Updating materials and curriculum as well as replenishing both the grades seven and eight reading paperback library is an ongoing process. Texts were added in grades 7-12 where needed.

During 1987, the English Department sponsored a one man dramatic show on the life and works of Edgar Allan Poe. There was also a field trip to the North Shore Music Theater to see a Shakespearean play "Romeo and Juliet."

Department members Mrs. Tilda Bystrom, Mrs. Margaret Woods, and Mrs. Janice Ricciardelli attended various Project ERR workshops on writing and critical thinking. Miss Wendy Marber directed the senior class play, "The Crucible." Coordinator Janice Ricciardelli served on a NEASC accreditation team that evaluated Sharon High School.

Two elective writing courses are offered by the department. Writing Workshop I is designed to improve basic writing skills. It includes workshops in grammar, in-class correction of student compositions, discussion and analysis of writing. Writing Workshop II is designed to reinforce and expand the basic writing skills of college preparatory students.

The Spanish Department plans to sponsor the National Spanish Exam this March for students in Spanish I-III. Also students who receive grades of B+ or better for six terms are recognized with certificates from Sociedad Honoraria Hispanica.

During the 1987 school year all the French students at West Bridgewater High School participated in a field trip to the L'Auberge Restaurant for a sampling of French cooking. This trip was conducted by Mrs. Elaine Peckham.

Among the activities of the French I students there were fashion shows conducted in French, cooking sessions, sampling of French cheeses and French bread and puppet shows.

French II activities included cooking sessions, skits, Christmas carols in French and several game shows a la francais.

The French III students made crepes. They also produced several major presentations of familiar television shows in French.

The French IV students made French newspapers, viewed movies dealing with the French Revolution and also did some cooking.

The year was an interesting and successful one for all those involved.

During the 1986–1987 school year, the Guidance Department continued to assist students in developing their ability to make decisions about personal, social, career and educational issues. Educational, vocational, and personal counseling was provided on an individual and/or group basis to students in grades one through twelve. Parent-teacher-student conferences were scheduled during the year in order to enhance a student's development.

Career education was actively in view again this year. Speakers from various colleges, military services and career fields were invited to assist students in career exploration/planning and self-awareness. Under the direction of the Elementary and Junior High School Guidance Counselors, students entering the Howard School or Junior High School became more familiar with the facilities were implemented in the sixth grades relative to sexual growth/development and academic development issues. The Planning Career Goals Test was administered to all sophomores. This test included an interest inventory, information measures section, ability section and a life and career planning survey. In order to help students learn more about oneself and how to develop one's potentiality, students were provided with a variety of activities, classroom programs, interest surveys and resources in addition to highly individualized counseling sessions. A variety of information regarding careers, college and health-related topics were available to students through classroom and assembly presentations, post-secondary school representative contact as well as field trips.

A computerized career information system, ACES was available to all students, staff and residents of West Bridgewater. The American Career Exploration System (ACES) offered students the opportunity to become more aware of their educational goals, personality preferences, abilities, interests and alternatives to post-secondary schools.

A variety of standardized tests continued to be administered system-wide. The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT) was administered to tenth and eleventh graders on a voluntary basis. The Armed Services Vocational Battery (ASVAB) was offered to all high school students on a voluntary basis as well. Test results were interpreted and discussed with respect to present and future planning.

1987 was a memorable year for awards. Mary Pickering received a Letter of Commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. Senior Cara Petrie received Commendation in the National Achievement Scholarship Program for Outstanding Negro Students. Senior Kathryn Anderson, Linda O'Connor, Mary Pickering, and Kathy Richardson were named as Massachusetts Commonwealth Scholars. Cynthia Boyd received the Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship Award sponsored by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Ten students were selected for the summer P.C.C. Advanced Studies Program at Bridgewater State College. Based on their exceptional achievement test scores, eight seventh grade students qualified in the initial selection procedure for participation in the "Talent Search" sponsored by the Center for the Advancement of Academically Talented Youth at Johns Hopkins University. Michael McDavitt, Guidance Counselor, instituted Homeroom Challenge, a pilot program which fostered student and faculty morale, increased participation and enthusiasm by all participants. This "Motivation through Competition program was based on a model which had been used successfully in other area schools.

Scholarships totaling over \$50,000 were awarded to graduates and former graduates of West Bridgewater High School. The funds were raised through the efforts of the local Citizens Scholarship Foundation. The total also represents contributions from the Horace Howard Aid Fund, local businesses, social organizations, memorial scholarships, private contributions, and trust funds.

The Class of 1987 decided upon various career pursuits after graduation. Seventy percent of the class was planning on continuing their education after high school.

Physicals were done, as in the past, in late August for all fall sports by Dr. Arthur Carriere. Pre-physicals were done prior to the physicals, which consisted of heights, weights, and blood pressures.

Confidential information was once again distributed to all members of the faculty so that each teacher could become aware of students with special problems, such as Vision and Hearing problems. (Preferential seating by the teacher may be arranged for students prior to the opening of school.) Handicaps, Diabetes and Epilepsy, to name a few, and their special instructions to faculty are included. Confidential information is updated as necessary. Instructions for the use of Epipen was also given to all faculty members as there are some students severely affected by insect bites. Once again, it is strongly advised that the school be informed of any unusual home situations which could affect the student and their school life, such as death in the family, a divorce or an illness which might be stressful to the student.

Vision and Hearing screening was done as it is required by law annually, with failures re-screened by the school nurse. Referrals are then sent home with those students who have failed. Parent cooperation needs to be improved greatly as to informing the school what action has been taken as to notice sent home.

West Bridgewater students have all been immunized according to the recent Massachusetts Immunization Law, therefore, clinics for T/D boosters are the only ones necessary other than Kindergarten.

Scoliosis screening, now mandatory annually by the state, continues to be done by the Physical Education Department with referrals to the school nurse on students with positive or questionable signs. If the school nurses' diagnosis was positive or questionable, the proper form was sent the parent or guardian to have their own physician examine the student and return the form with the proper diagnosis. Parent cooperation could be improved upon in this area also.

Health counseling continues daily. Many students need someone they can confide in or someone just to be a good listener. The school nurse serves as a Care Evaluation Team member and makes home assessments as necessary.

In addition, the school nurse acts as an advisory to the Future Nurses Club.

There are sixty-one students enrolled in the four Home Economics courses, each course being independent from the others. The general objectives are to offer information and experiences that will benefit students in survival and coping skills for their non-professional, personal lives.

Singles Living is a fall semester course designed for seniors and includes topics on decision making, career skills, personal finances, household budgeting and common stress related family problems. Chef's course offered in the spring semester for seniors includes nutrition, consumer issues. Food safety, and meal planning and preparation.

There are two Life Skills courses geared to the needs and maturity levels of younger and older high school students. Life Skills I and II cover appropriate topics dealing with relationships, family life, food selection and preparation, and nutrition plus consumer protection information. Consumer issues offered in Life Skills I include advertising, fraudulent selling practices, mail order sales, fibers and fabrics used for consumer goods, clothing selections and care. Life Skills II consumer information includes all aspects of selecting and furnishing a place to live, meal planning and food purchasing.

Child Care and Development includes all phases of parenting (to be or not to be). The basic areas of Child Development are covered and are related to all child care givers, i.e., parents and professionals. Students in Child Care are offered practical experience by planning, preparing and conducting two, one hour, nursery school type sessions each week for twelve local preschool children.

The enrollment in the Industrial Arts program has stayed about the same as last year. The students in the advanced wood class have made and repaired benches for the athletic department. The Industrial Arts Department made various props for the senior class play.

1987 was a challenging year of transition for the library. During the latter

part of the 1986–1987 school year, Joseph A. Dermont, the School Librarian for many years, returned. For the remainder of that school year, Barbara Perkins, the Library Secretary, did an admirable job of managing the library and compiling a complete inventory of the library's holdings. Elizabeth D. Murphy was hired as School Librarian for the 1986–1987 school year.

Since September 1987, the library has operated with the underlying philosophy that its role in the school is to provide students and faculty with the service, materials, and research-skill instruction necessary to foster the development of each student's independent critical thinking abilities. In support of that role, the library has:

Integrated the acquisition of library research and subject matter skills by working with classroom teachers to create cooperative learning experiences.

Promoted recreational reading by holding a successful book fair and adding current paperbacks to its collection.

Provided more convenient access to materials and improved the library's appearance by rearranging the library's books and shelving.

Updated the library's collection by reviewing and revising the library's periodical subscription list and pamphlet file and by adding approximately 500 books to the collection.

Encouraged easy access to the library by study-hall students in all grades by reviewing and revising the library's attendance policies.

Additionally, the library is involved in the following ongoing projects:

Updating the library's collection by reviewing and evaluating the library's reference, book and audio-visual collections; weeding out-dated materials; and selecting, ordering, and processing new materials.

Accurately communicating the library's holdings by preparing booklists and updating the card catalog.

Preparing for future needs by investigating the use of computerized library/information management packages and participating in curriculum development projects.

While the mathematics department continues to offer a wide variety of courses to a wide range of students, we are also beginning to use two state programs which will help measure how well we perform. Last year brought the introduction of two major curriculum evaluation tools. One is the state minimum competency test, and the other is the state curriculum assessment test.

This fall the new minimum competency test was given for the second time. The results of this test have not yet been returned to the school. For the first time, the results will include a pass/fail report on students. In general, the test

scores will be used to identify individuals who need remedial help in mathematics. The test will also provide some indication of how well we are teaching the basic concepts of mathematics.

The curriculum assessment test is administered in the spring. Because of the way in which the tests are administered, it may take several years for small schools like West Bridgewater to build a representative database. By combining the results of several years of testing, we will have an opportunity to identify and address any weaknesses in our general curriculum.

So far, the test results which have been returned seem to indicate that we have a generally successful mathematics program.

This year we also continued to build a computer lab with the acquisition of two more IBM compatible computers. Our goal is to set up a lab which is always available for student use and which offers programs for all subjects. While we still have a long way to go to reach this goal, we are starting to acquire interesting educational software.

The Junior-Senior high school music department consists of five performing ensembles. These include the Junior-Senior High Marching Band, The Junior High Band, The Senior High Band, the Jazz Band and the Junior-Senior High School Chorus. All of these groups have already been actively involved in public performances.

The Junior High and the Senior High Bands performed as separate groups and as a combined ensemble in the latest Christmas Concert. Providing a large group musical experience for students was a big success and will continue in future concerts. The emphasis for both groups will continue in future on properly performing a variety of musical styles. The long-range goals are to improve both music reading ability and quality in performance.

The Jazz Band has been expanded to include instrumentalists in grades 7-12 and was a featured group in the Christmas Concert. The emphasis is on all aspects of jazz performance including proper style, solo performing and improvisation. The goal is to develop a dynamic, unified ensemble to instill confidence and actively challenge some of the most experienced students.

The Junior-Senior High School Chorus has been emphasizing vocal technique. The group has begun two and three part singing and is presently looking to expand its membership. A long-range goal includes the establishment of both a Junior and Senior High Chorus.

The Marching Band has been expanded to include as many students in grades 7-12 as possible. The group has already performed at pep rallies, home games and participated in the Veteran's Day Parade in Bridgewater. Future plans include performances in the Brockton St. Patrick's Day Parade and the Y.A.A. Little League Parade in the spring.

All Junior High students are required to take a General Music Class three times a week for one semester. Students are exposed to a wide variety of musical experiences. The curriculum includes the study of musical instruments, musical styles, the elements of music, Broadway musicals and more.

Things are already being planned for the spring. The fourth annual Music Awards Banquet is scheduled to take place, once again, at the Canoe Club. The annual music trip will take place in the latter part of the year. And, finally, all four performing groups will culminate the year with their participation in the annual Spring Concert in May.

As we witness a decrease in student enrollment in the high school, we also notice an increase in the proportionate number of students electing laboratory courses in science. The new Anatomy and Physiology program has proven to be quite popular, and two sections are presently filled.

Once again the Junior High Science Project Exhibit held during the spring was a big success with many of the projects reflecting student ingenuity and hard work.

Science curriculum improvement has been an ongoing project in preparation for the school-wide evaluation. New texts were purchased for the Junior High, and other course texts continue to be updated, keeping our students aware of the newest developments in theory and technology.

Science Department faculty members have been involved in numerous workshops, university seminars, and advanced studies over the past year, all serving to enhance our program offerings.

Last Spring, as part of our Student Enrichment Program, 14 sophomores and juniors participated in the Spotlight Program of Projects For High Learning Potential, sponsored by SMU. Students in attendance were grade 11 students Melissa Cassidy, Clifton Cain, Julianne Clark, Ruth Fullerton, Michelle Macrina, Chris Zibelli, and grade 10 students Scott Asack, Kevin Crean, Julie Donahue, Dawn Hayes, James Howell, Tim Kellogg, Paul Marganian, and Julie Welsh.

During the Spring, West Bridgewater High School students participated in competition with area schools in an Academic Bowl. This popular academic quiz game was sponsored by WBET radio which also aired the competition. Students competing were seniors Cindy Boyd, Ann Howell, Brian Roy, Maureen Murphy, Linda O'Connor, Mary Pickering, and juniors Lyall Armstrong, Chris Zibelli, and Mary Muckenthaler.

In an ever-changing world where students need to be encouraged to formulate and express democratic attitudes and to become knowledgeable, realistic taxpayers, consumers, and voters, the Social Science Department continues to research and implement effective classroom techniques in all electives and required courses.

As an ongoing process, curriculum is being reviewed and revised. Last year, in order to more fully challenge academically talented Seniors, a new American Government textbook was incorporated into the curriculum to meet the needs of students with lesser academic abilities.

Once again this year West Bridgewater students are participating in the Massachusetts Student Government Day Program with Alicia Thoms being elected as West Bridgewater's representative and Scott Asack being elected as alternate.

Sociology students have recently completed a unit on deviant behavior culminating in a visit to MCI in Plymouth which gave students an opportunity to see what life in a Massachusetts Correctional Institution is really like.

At the conclusion of the 1986-1987 school year eight World History students went on an educational field trip to Walt Disney World in Orlando, Florida. Accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Reese, these students spent 5 days touring the Walt Disney World attractions, including the many countries represented in Epcot Center. Before returning home, these students also spent a fun-filled day at River Country in Disney World and another day at Sea World where they had the opportunity to watch and learn about marine life. Students who went on this trip included: Tim Kellogg, Juli Donahue, Kate Howell, Amy Brindley, Hope McCarthy, Stephen Sullivan, Bill Morse, and Keith Lawson.

West Bridgewater High School is participating in a Bicentennial project entitled *Ratification: The Great Debate of '88*. On February 6, 1988 a re-enactment of the Massachusetts ratification convention for the U.S. Constitution took place. Lyall Armstrong, a Senior, was selected as the school's John Hancock student and Mrs. Anne Kelley was the Governor John Hancock fellow coordinating research being done by the students in preparation for this event.

More than 300 schools in Maine & Massachusetts have joined in this effort, which has been called a model project by the National Commission. Research gathered by the students will become part of the Massachusetts State Archives. Current plans are to record the re-enactment which should be a historic event in of itself, for broadcasting on national television.

364 delegates were selected in the Special Town Meetings called for the purpose 1787. Since this was the state of Shay's Rebellion, and a state that had produced many leaders of the Revolution, keen interest was focused on our ratification struggle. Massachusetts was then divided between rural farming interests and commercial interests including world trade. Massachusetts was the sixth state to ratify and was a key in the ratification process.

Bridgewater was still whole in 1787 and included all of West Bridgewater, East Bridgewater, Bridgewater, and Brockton as well as parts of surrounding towns. Four delegates were elected from Bridgewater: Daniel Howard, Esquire, Mr. Hezekiah Hooper, Captain Elisha Mitchell, and Mr. Daniel Howard, Jr. Since Daniel Howard Esquire lived in the West Bridgewater Section, we were assigned that delegate.

Mrs. Kelley's Honors United States History class has worked very hard in researching this project. Students have taken many trips to Old Bridgewater Historical Society, Bridgewater Town Library, Plymouth Probate Court, U.S. Archives, Massachusetts State House Library, First Church of West Bridgewater, and other local sources of information. They have taken pictures of Judge Daniel Howard's house on South Street and a tombstone rubbing of his grave on South Street.

Lyll Armstrong attended the Re-enactment on February 6, 1988 as Daniel Howard, Esquire.

Respectfully Submitted,
S. Erick Benson, *Principal*

**WEST BRIDGEWATER PUBLIC SCHOOLS
GUIDANCE REPORT ON PLACEMENT FOR 1986**

| Total Continuing Education | Total Graduates 1987 | | |
|--|-----------------------------|-------|-------|
| | Boys | Girls | Total |
| 1983 — 69% | | | |
| 1984 — 62% | 33 | 55 | 88 |
| 1985 — 70% | | | |
| 1986 — 61% | | | |
| 1987 — 71% (4 yr. 34%, 2 yr. 23%, Post Sec. Voc. & Nurse's Train. 14%) | | | |

| | Boys | Girls | Total | % of Class |
|--|------|-------|-------|------------|
| Four Year Public College | 6 | 12 | 18 | 20 |
| Four Year Private College | 3 | 9 | 12 | 14 |
| Two Year Public Colleges | 6 | 5 | 11 | 13 |
| Two Year Private Colleges | 1 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| Nurse's Training (3 years) | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Post Secondary (includes Business & Secretarial, Vocational/Technical Training | 2 | 9 | 11 | 13 |
| Military | 3 | 0 | 3 | 3 |
| Work | 8 | 7 | 15 | 17 |
| Marriage | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Undecided | 5 | 3 | 8 | 9 |

— EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TO BE ATTENDED BY MEMBERS
OF THE CLASS OF 1987 —

Ailani School of Cosmetology
Aquinas Junior College
Bay State Junior College
Bryant College
Bridgewater State College
Brockton Hospital School of Nursing
Burdett School
Clark University
Daytona Beach Community College
Dean Junior College
Five Towns College, New York
Flagler College, Florida
Gordon College
ITT Technical Institute
Lasell Junior College
Massasoit Community College/Blue Hills Tech.
New England School of Art & Design
Southeastern Academy
Southeastern Massachusetts University
Southeastern Massachusetts Technical Institute
Stonehill College
University of Lowell
University of Maine at Machias
University of Massachusetts at Amherst
Wentworth Institute
Wheaton College
Word of Life Bible Institute

Rose L. MacDonald/Howard Schools

Presently there are 541 children enrolled at the elementary level, Grades K-6 — 319 at the Rose L. MacDonald School (Grades K-3) and 222 at the Howard School (Grades 4-6).

In Grades K-3 all classrooms are basically self-contained — meaning students spend the majority of the school day with their assigned homeroom teacher for the major CORE curriculum areas of Reading, Language, Spelling, Handwriting, Mathematics, Social Science and Physical Science.

In Grades 4-6 classrooms are semi-departmentalized — meaning students move to various staff members for instruction in the major subject areas. As the students progress from Grade 4 to 6 the amount of departmentalization increases.

In addition to the major CORE curriculum areas, students meet weekly for instruction in Art, Music, Library Science, and Physical Education.

Throughout the school year each child's program is periodically assessed and when appropriate needed changes are made. Students that are experiencing a great deal of difficulty whether it be academic, social, and/or emotional, are provided extra help through our Reading/Language Arts department, Special Needs department, Chapter I program, and/or Counseling department.

Language Arts instruction (meaning reading, writing, spelling, and compositional skills) continue to be given top priority at all grade levels. The emphasis in Reading at the primary level is on the skills involved in learning to read, at the intermediate level the teaching of these skills continues; however, the emphasis *shifts to reading to learn*. In all grades students utilize a series of reading textbooks referred to as basal reader programs. In conjunction with the basal readers, students are provided with high quality literature, plays, and poetry through our paperback book selections and the school libraries.

Students average daily 45 minutes of Mathematics instruction. Instruction is given in computation, concepts and their application, and problem solving. We are piloting a new mathematics series in Grades 4 and 5 and at the conclusion of this school year a decision will be made on its further utilization.

The time spent in formal instruction in Social Science and Physical Science is increased as a child progresses from Grades K-6 — with students in Grades 4-6 averaging 30 minutes daily in both areas.

In addition to the basic academic and specialized areas as described above, students are offered a wealth of highly specialized programs — programs that speak to the needs of particular students.

Such programs offered within the two elementary schools are: Academically Talented, Band, Chorus, Computer Instruction, Computer Literacy, Enrichment Reading, Field Trips, Instrumental Lessons, Intramurals, Massasoit Super Saturday, Super Students, TOP HAT (Toward Our Potential, Howard Academically Talented), Very Important Student, and Yearly Grade 3 Theatrical Production.

To further encourage reading as a lifetime activity, students and staff have become involved in two reading incentive programs. "BOOK IT" Grades 1-6 is a program sponsored by Pizza Hut and an in-house program called "RING IN READING" for Grades 4-6.

The Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) through its fundraising activities provides service in three important areas — the purchase of necessary educational materials and equipment, enrichment programs for the students, and programs for adults on timely issues. As an example — students in Grades 4-6, in November, attended the Zeiterion Theatre in New Bedford to see a production of

Charlotte's Web, students in Grades K-3, just before Christmas attended a performance of *Santa's International Sleighride* put on by the Renaissance Theatre. Throughout the school year in Grades K-6 we have approximately 10-12 PTO sponsored programs. The members of this organization (especially Executive Board members) are to be commended for the time and effort expended on behalf of the students and staff.

Both schools have an established School Improvement Council — its purpose to determine how best to expend allocated funds from the State to improve the quality of education at the school building level. The Councils funded the purchase of educational equipment, curriculum materials and the cost of student field trips. Money was also used to establish the position of Enrichment Manager K-6. The main goal of this position would be to help provide staff with the means to further enrich the quality of their educational program. The Rose L. MacDonald Council funded an after school Computer Instruction program for Grade 3 students. The Howard Council funded the start up costs of a School Store. The store to be run by students under staff direction will offer school related supplies and interesting items to the students at the lowest competitive price. Any profits will be used to fund school related projects.

At both schools parent volunteers are involved with students and staff. Volunteers assist with clerical tasks, help supervise specialized activities, and in some cases provide small group instructional help. All volunteers are to be thanked for their dedication.

In closing, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all personnel associated with the Rose L. MacDonald and Howard Schools for their dedication in providing the best possible education for the children of our schools.

Special Education Department

After twenty-nine years of service in the West Bridgewater Public Schools, I submit my last Town Report as Special Education Director. With a great deal of pride, I'm happy to say that the Special Education programs and services we provide are second to none.

A team of six people from the State Department of Education examined and evaluated all our programs, services, and facilities for a compliance Review as required by State Law. They commended our Department for the programs and diversified ways we provide services to children ages three to twenty-two. It is my pleasure to report that I have been complimented repeatedly on the quality and excellent performance of the Special Education staff for services they provide to the children and their communication with parents. Much time and effort is devoted to improving their method of instruction. The empathy shown for students and parents is exemplary. They deserve kudos for their dedication and enthusiasm.

The second evaluation done this year was conducted by Mr. Russell Latham and reviewed the State and Federal funds we receive. He made the following observations and recommendations:

1. All behavior programs need "Clinical Support."
2. More counseling and psychological services are needed.
3. Each student's C.E.T. folder must be updated with all the current required forms as recommended by the Compliance Review Team.
4. We must continue our efforts to provide services in a cost-effective manner.
5. We should provide in-service workshops for all staff to review State requirements and study the new Special Ed Teacher's Handbook.
6. We should provide one computer in each school to serve the Special Education students in the Resource Rooms as computers are excellent motivators for students with learning problems.

The proposed Special Ed Budget for 1988-89 is the largest ever. Again, two areas that have increased the most are: tuitioned out students that currently number 20; and transportation for these students. We will continue to make every effort to bring these students back to West Bridgewater and mainstream them in the least restrictive environment. We have been successful in accomplishing this through two programs: A. The Alternative Program at the High School. With the support of Mr. Benson, we have been able to keep students from being tuitioned out by improving the pre-vocational/occupational curriculum; B. The Language Intervention Program at the Rose L. MacDonald School. With the support of the Elementary Administrators, we have brought back students who were tuitioned out. Mrs. Linda Naimey is helping those children with communication disorders. The parents in West Bridgewater continue to place great importance on helping children with Special Needs to achieve an adequate and appropriate education.

At present, we are providing Special Education services to 187 students ages 3 to 22 years old. As stated previously, twenty of these students are provided programs outside our school system. The tuition for these students has increased considerably.

The Special Education Department made application for, and received, a Grant from the Massachusetts Department of Education in the amount of \$6,400. These funds are to be used to further develop Early Childhood outreach and screening services for 3 and 4 year olds. Additional screening times will be provided for pre-schoolers to be scheduled on a Saturday during this year. It is hoped that this will accommodate those parents for whom a weekday screening would be very difficult or impossible to arrange.

Project Employ, the school-to-work transitional program has successfully begun its fourth year at West Bridgewater and East Bridgewater High Schools. Funding has been provided by the Massachusetts Department of Occupational Education in the amount of \$37,000. This is a cooperative effort between both High Schools.

The components of Project Employ consist of three main parts: A. Vocational Assessment & Counseling; B. Pre-Vocational Training; C. Supervised Work Study. There are 44 students from West Bridgewater and 27 students from East Bridgewater participating in this program.

This past year we have held many in-service workshops for Special Education teachers. They have provided opportunities to keep up with the many changes that have taken place in the new State Regulations. It has been recommended by all evaluators that we must do more.

In closing, I would like to thank the administrators, teachers, and members of P.A.C. for their support and cooperation. Also, a very special thank you to Mrs. Sharon Kilpatrick, my secretary, and Mrs. Karen Anderson for their continuing efforts in reviewing all 766 procedures, answering questions posed by teachers and parents, and preparing the monumental forms and reports required by the State. They helped make this past year one of the most successful ever.

Finally, I would like to thank Dr. Gerhart and the members of the School Department for their support and for having included the Special Education Department in their major goals to improve instructions for all students in the system.

Respectfully Submitted,
Thomas Peters

WEST BRIDGEWATER BUILDING NEEDS AND USE COMMITTEE

To the residents of West Bridgewater, we the members of the Municipal Building Needs & Use Committee, submit our annual report of activities for the year 1987.

The committee met several times throughout the year. Our main accomplishments included the creation of a fund to be utilized for the upkeep and maintenance of the Town's municipal buildings. The committee made additional recommendations with respect to establishing basic priorities for those buildings requiring immediate attention.

Improvements to various municipal buildings have been made during 1987, and include a new heating system at the high school and numerous improvements to the Town Hall.

The Municipal Building Needs & Use Committee wishes to express its gratitude for the fine cooperation it has received from all town departments, Board of Selectmen, and to Doris Haight, Administrative Assistant to the Board of Selectmen.

Respectfully submitted,
John Bottini, *Chairman*
Joseph Kennedy, *Clerk*
Richard McMahan
Joseph McMorrow
Henry Podolsky

REPORT OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Industrial Development Commission is pleased to report to you and the citizens of West Bridgewater that controlled, quality growth of commercial and industrial projects continued in 1987.

The type of firms and their commitment to our community is a standard that shall prove to be wise and correct in the years ahead.

The Committee expresses its sincere thanks to the Board of Selectmen and all other town departments for their cooperation and help during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald L. MacIver

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

To the residents of West Bridgewater, the members of the Planning Board, we submit our annual report for the year 1987.

The Planning Board held twenty-four (24) meetings throughout the year, including nine (9) Public Hearings for subdivisions. Public Hearings for rezoning, two (2), four (4) Applications for Subdivisions were denied, but later, with revisions, were approved. We reviewed eight (8) Definitive Plans for Subdivisions, two (2) Loam Removal Permits, fifteen (15) Form A's, one (1) Form C. New plans for the Public Library were also reviewed.

Two (2) meetings concerning the new Site Plan Bylaws, and ten (10) recommendations were made to the Board of Appeals.

The Planning Board again wishes to express its appreciation for the help received from all Town departments, also with special thanks to the helpfulness of our Town Clerk, Mrs. Anna Brown.

Respectfully submitted,
Howard A. Anderson, *Chairman*
Stephen Wood, *Clerk*
Hugh Hurley
Joseph McMorrow, Sr.

REPORT OF THE TOWN COUNSEL

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The following is a report of the nature and the status of the litigation in which the Town of West Bridgewater is involved as of the date of this report:

Francis M. Silvia, et al
v.
Building Inspector of Town of West Bridgewater
and Town of West Bridgewater

This action was initially brought by the plaintiffs in the Plymouth County Superior Court in August of 1982 against the Building Inspector of the Town and the Town itself to enjoin the Town from allegedly interfering with the plaintiffs use of their land and to obtain damages for such alleged interference. The Town filed a counterclaim against the plaintiffs. In April 1984, the plaintiffs amended their complaint to add the following persons as additional defendants: Doris Haight, Michael Manugian, and Charles H. Johnson, former Selectmen,

and Eldon F. Moreira and Charles A. Pickering, current Selectmen, Erving G. Lothrop, Chief of Police, and J. Joseph Lydon, former Town Counsel. The amended complaint seeks substantial damages against said defendants for alleged violations of the plaintiffs civil rights. This matter is still pending in Court.

Lawrence W. Wardwell, et al
v.
Zoning Board of Appeals, et al

This is an appeal by the plaintiffs of a decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals granting a variance to the owners of the Canoe Club granting a variance to the owners of the Canoe Club for the construction of a gazebo on its property. This case has not as yet come to trial.

Board of Selectmen
v.
Robert R. May and Doris G. May

In January 1985, the Board of Selectmen brought a complain in the Plymouth County Superior Court to enjoin the defendants from conducting at their premises at 104 Turnpike Street any business involving the buying and selling of secondhand motor vehicles, the buying of secondhand motor vehicles for the purpose of remodeling, taking apart or rebuilding the same, the buying and selling parts of secondhand motor vehicles and tires and assembling secondhand motor vehicle parts, and from storing junk automobiles on said premises. On July 1, 1985, the Superior Court entered a judgment in favor of the Town ordering the defendants to refrain from using their premises at said 104 Turnpike Street for any use or purpose which violate the provisions of Chapter 140 of the Massachusetts General Laws concerning the buying and selling of secondhand motor vehicles or parts thereof or the provisions of the Zoning By-Law of the Town. As the defendants have refused to comply with such order of the Court, the Board of Selectmen have brought a complaint for contempt against the defendants. This matter is pending trial in the Plymouth County Superior Court.

Kenneth W. Bartell and Marion H. Bartell
v.
Zoning Board of Appeals

This is an appeal by the plaintiffs of a decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals upholding the decision of the Building Inspector to take no action with respect to an alleged violation of the Zoning Bylaws with respect to certain premises owned by William E. Turner, Jr., Carl E. Turner and Kenneth A. Turner, d/b/a Turner's Industrial Park. This case is pending trial in the Plymouth County Superior Court.

Kenneth W. Bartell and Marion H. Bartell

v.

Zoning Board of Appeals

This is an appeal by the plaintiffs of a decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals granting a variance to Turner's Industrial Park Realty Trust from the provisions of the Zoning Bylaws which require that no building or structure in an Industrial District shall be erected or placed within forty (40) feet of a side line. This case is pending trial in the Plymouth County Superior Court.

Board of Health of Town of West Bridgewater

v.

*Thomas Donahue, Ralph J. Civitarese
and Richard J. Civitarese,*

Trustees of American Manufacture Home Trust

In October 1987, the Board of Health brought a complaint in the Plymouth County Superior Court seeking to enjoin the defendants from any construction on Lots 46 and 47 at the Matfield Woods Mobile Home Park and from locating and installing any mobile homes on said lots without written authorization from the Board of Health and without the issuance of necessary building permits from the Building Inspector. A preliminary injunction granting the Board of Health's request was granted by the Court on November 5, 1987. This matter is now pending trial.

Anthony's Crystal Ballroom, Inc.

v.

Board of Selectmen

The plaintiff brought an action in the Plymouth County Probate Court seeking to enjoin the Board of Selectmen from failing to renew the plaintiff's common victualler's license to sell all kinds of alcoholic beverages on the premises at 728 North Main Street until the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission has acted upon the plaintiff's appeal of the Board's decision not to renew such license. A preliminary injunction was granted by the Court granting the plaintiff's request.

Building Inspector of Town of West Bridgewater

v.

Board of Appeals of Town of West Bridgewater

This is an action brought by the building Inspector of the Town of West Bridgewater appealing the decision of the Boards of Appeals of the Town of West Bridgewater which granted a variance from the lot area, lot frontage and lot setback requirements of the Zoning Bylaws. This case is now pending trial in the Plymouth County Superior Court.

Weston G. Bean, Jr.

v.

Robert D. Smith, Leon St. George and Erving G. Lothrop

This is an action brought in the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts by the plaintiff in which he seeks damages against two police officers and the Chief of Police of the Town of West Bridgewater arising out of his arrest on December 13, 1986. This case will possibly come to trial in January 1989.

Respectfully submitted,
John P. Lee, *Town Counsel*

REPORT OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

We the Commissioners and Superintendent of the Water Department of the Town of West Bridgewater, respectfully submit our annual report for the year ending December 31, 1987.

During the year a total of 323,950,100 gallons of water were pumped, which is 48,090,520 gallons more than the previous year. The greatest amount for any one day was June 18, with 1,523,400 gallons. The largest month was June with 33,741,300 gallons pumped. The largest week was June 14, with 9,632,006 gallons pumped.

With 323,950,100 gallons of water pumped plus 1,905,200 gallons bought from Easton, a total of 325,855,300 gallons of water was used. This makes a daily average of 892,754 gallons used.

A total of 29 new services were installed for a total of 2,318 services.

During the past year our crew laid 600' of 12" water main on West St. bringing fire protection and water services to the remaining residents that were not covered by our water system. During the summer our crew also laid 900' of 12" water main from Cyr St. to the new well being developed in the Cyr St. well field. A private contractor was hired to lay the 12" main extension from Cyr St. to East St. When completed we hope to add 350 gallons per minute to our pumping capacity.

A pump test was completed in the Cyr St. well field and permission to develop a new well yielding 350 gallons per minute was granted by the D.E.Q.E.

The water department in the spring of 1987 broke ground for our new control center. Whitaker Construction won the contract to erect the building but most of the interior work was performed by our own crew saving thousands of dollars. With the completion of this new building a much more efficient day to day operation will result. The new building will house all trucks, equipment, pump controls, auxiliary power for wells, secretary, water commissioners office, and all personnel. This will allow much better communication between office and crew resulting in better and quicker service to our residents.

The water dept. was also successful in applying for a matching grant to conduct a leak detection inspection of our distribution system.

Station maintenance was carried out daily, after every severe storm, all power failures. A total of 650 hours of overtime was spent in emergency leaks and maintenance.

During the year 156 analysis of our drinking water were made by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Quality Engineering for bacterial elements. All reports were most satisfactory, showing it to be of highly acceptable

quality and free from bacterial elements. Analysis of sodium concentration in our water average 17 milligrams per litre for 1987, allowing us to meet the state regulation of a maximum of 20 milligrams per litre. We also ran individual tests on all three wells to check for cancer causing pollutants in our water and none were detected in any of our wells.

We feel 1987 has been a very successful year with no major failures or water shortages. The department's biggest problem for the future will be raising enough revenue to pay for the development of new wells needed to meet demand created by the growth of our town. The water management act that became law last year has added large expense increases to well development and has taken much of the town control away and has given it to the state D.E.Q.E.

We would like to thank all departments that came to our aid when requested and most importantly all the townspeople who have supported us in reaching our goals.

Respectfully submitted,
John W. Noyes, *Chairman*
Donald Asack, *Clerk*
David Churchill, *Member*
Richard E. Krugger, *Supt.*

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As your Highway Superintendent, I am pleased to submit my 1987 annual town report of the accomplishments of the Highway Department.

Resurfacing Type I-1:

During the past year, the men of the Highway Department blacktopped East Street for a distance of one mile of road. The road was prepared by crack-filling, removing of poor sections of road, repairing of all drainage, leveling of the entire road, and resurfacing with 1½ " of Type I-1 bituminous concrete. The shoulders of the road were graveled and loamed. We also leveled Matfield Street from the East Bridgewater town line to the East Street corner store. This section of road will be topped in the early spring. Five sections of East Center Street were repaired, a large section of West Center Street in front of Eastern Utilities was leveled and Walnut Street was resurfaced for a distance of 2,500 feet.

New Construction:

Due to the efforts of Mr. Donald Fisher and his tennis committee, a new tennis court was constructed. The poor areas of the court were cut out, the sections filled with binder, the net posts were reset, and the court resurfaced with 1½ " of bituminous concrete. A playground pad at the Rose L. MacDonald

School was constructed to prevent the youngsters from tracking mud into the school. The cement posts on the West Street bridge were removed and a steel guard rail was installed to prevent cars from entering the river. The town hall parking lot required many hours of preparation by the four men of the Highway Department. Their work consisted of removal of a 1,000 gallon oil tank no longer in use, patching of all poor areas, the installation of curbs, the grading of the gravel section and the paving of this area with binder. The completion of this lot will be in early spring with 1½" of top. Two wheelchair ramps were installed at the corner of Howard and West Center Streets and across from Hillside Avenue. New floodlights were installed at the center monument to illuminate the flag and monument.

Drainage:

80' of 15" concrete pipe was installed along the corner of Matfield and Belmont Streets. 60' of aluminum 12" pipe was placed at the corner of Highland and Sunset Avenue along with two catch basins to handle the runoff of water. Also, manholes were repaired and raised along North Elm Street.

Snow Removal:

The hired contractors and men of the Highway Department as well as the men of the Forestry and Water Departments, have done a superb job of keeping the roads safe and passable by sanding and plowing during the winter months. We would like to thank the townspeople for their cooperation in keeping their vehicles off the roadway to facilitate plowing.

Maintenance:

All roadsides have been mowed once this year due to the lack of manpower on this department and the busy work schedule. The town was swept once by the town's street sweeper. All basins in the town were cleaned this fall. The Highway Department spent a great deal of time picking trash along the roadside. Twenty-two main roads were striped. All vehicles of the highway fleet were maintained by the department.

Transfer Station:

As I have previously stated, the cost of operating the Transfer Station has escalated. I apologize for these figures. Our only salvation is the opening of SEMASS November 1, 1988, when we can expect the operating costs to drop to a realistic figure of \$70,000 per year rather than the \$294,000 for 1987-1988. The sticker program is working well. There are a few diehard citizens who have refused to comply and still use the transfer station. The new man at the transfer station is doing a commendable job. He has offered to sell the stickers on site for those citizens who find it difficult to purchase the stickers at the town hall. Over the past two years, the townspeople have voted at town meeting to purchase equipment for the transfer station. With these purchases, we will become self sufficient in our operation. In one year's time, we will have paid for our \$144,000 investment of equipment and still realize a tremendous savings in our budget.

I wish to thank the men of the Highway Department for their excellent work in the large task of maintaining sixty-eight miles of roadway. They have made the Highway Department a successful service to the townspeople of West Bridgewater. I should also like to take this opportunity to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Administrative Assistant, and all Town Department and individuals for their continued support and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald E. Newman
Highway Superintendent

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

In accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth, Chapter 128, the Trustees for Plymouth County Cooperative Extension are empowered to receive, on behalf of the County, money appropriated by any town, or by the Federal Government for carrying out the provision of the Law, under which they are appointed.

Agents have made contacts during the past year in every community, either by public meetings, individual visits, group discussions and demonstrations, in attempting to assist the needs of the citizens toward helping to solve management problems, better living, and better community service. Cooperative Extension staff have been ably assisted by many local volunteer leaders.

A total expense of \$125.00 was incurred during the year for the purchase of material needed in carrying on the various Extension programs. The appropriation made by your town was used for residents of the town and expended as follows:

Expense — 1986-1987

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|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Books and Manuals Purchased for Town | \$10.00 |
| Town Director's Expense | |
| Bulletins, Paper, etc. | 40.00 |
| 4-H School Programs | 60.00 |
| 4-H & Home Ec Leader Expense | <u>15.00</u> |
| Total | \$125.00 |

Financial Summary

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| Current Appropriation (1987-88) | \$125.00 |
| Suggested Appropriation for 1988-89 | 150.00 |

The County Cooperative Extension Service is located on High Street, Hanson (on the grounds of the County Hospital). Cooperative Extension is a partnership of the United States Department of Agriculture, the land-grant college — the University of Massachusetts, Amherst and county government.

County Agents are specialists in: Agriculture, Community Resource Development, Home Economics, 4-H and Nutrition Education and deliver programs in these areas to local residents.

Staff consists of a director, two regional agricultural specialists, a community resource development specialist, two home economics, three 4-H agents and a split position, 4-H/home horticulture. In addition, Cooperative Extension administers a federally funded nutrition education program, The Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (E.F.N.E.P.), located in Brockton. This is staffed by a nutrition specialist and program assistants (6 full-time equivalents) who deliver the educational program to families with limited resources.

Cooperative Extension serves the public through educational conferences, workshops, phone call assistance, field visits and timely newsletters.

In our 4-H program last year 12,535 youth were enrolled, of that number 588 were enrolled in club programs, and 11,947 were exposed to 4-H through short-term projects. 815 volunteers assisted in conducting the county 4-H program.

Newsletters, free for the asking, are *Garden Clippings*, a monthly horticulture fact-filled publication; *So-Sew*, informational "how-to" letter for the serious home sewing; *Creative Living*, provides current information in the areas of clothing and textiles, human development, housing and home management. Newsletters for commercial agriculture enterprises are available (Small Fruit, Vegetables, Tree Fruits, Small Farms and Livestock).

Your County Cooperative Extension office can be of service to you by calling 293-3541 or 447-5946, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Trustees of Cooperative Extension, Plymouth County
Joseph Webby, *Brockton, Chairman*
John North, *Marshfield*
Matthew C. Striggles, *Bridgewater*
Georgia Chamberlain, *Rochester*
Albert Cornelius, *Brockton*
Dorothy Dwyer, *Norwell*
George Mullen, *Hanson*
Bronia Wieliczki, *Abington*
Richard Wyman, *Bridgewater*
Mary M. McBrady, *Director*

REPORT OF THE AUDITOR

We have examined the financial statements of the various funds and account groups of the Town of West Bridgewater for the year ended June 30, 1987, listed in the table of contents. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

Pension costs are provided on a pay as you go basis, as discussed in Note 15 rather than on an actuarial basis as required by generally accepted accounting principles. The cost relative to the actuarial method has not been determined at this time.

A record of fixed assets is not maintained by the Town, accordingly a statement of fixed assets, as required by generally accepted accounting principles, is not included in the financial statements.

In our opinion, subject to the foregoing exceptions, the aforementioned financial statements present fairly the financial position of the various funds and account groups of the Town of West Bridgewater at June 30, 1987, and the results of operations of such funds and the changes in financial position for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

The accompanying supplemental schedules and related information presented on pages 21 to 36 are not necessary for a fair presentation of the financial statements, but are presented as additional analytical data. This information has been subjected to the tests and other auditing above and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Anthony V. Sulmonte

AUDITOR'S REPORT ON ADEQUACY OF INTERNAL CONTROL SYSTEM

We have examined the financial statements of the Town of West Bridgewater for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1987, and have issued our report thereon dated December 4, 1987. As part of our examination, we made a study and evaluation of the system of internal accounting control of the Town of West Bridgewater to the extent we considered necessary to evaluate the system in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and standards for financial and compliance audits contained in the U.S. General Accounting Office Standards for Audit and Governmental Organizations, Programs, Activities and Functions. For the

purpose of this report, we have classified the significant internal accounting controls in the following categories:

| | |
|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Cash Receipts and Cash Payments | Appropriations |
| Investments | Debt |
| Accounts Receivable | General Ledger |
| Billing and Abatements | Fund Balances |

Our study and evaluation included all of the control categories listed above. The purpose of our study and evaluation was to determine the nature, timing, and extent of the auditing procedures necessary for expressing an opinion on the entity's financial statements. Our study and evaluation was more limited than would be necessary to express an opinion on the system of internal accounting control taken as a whole or on any of the categories of controls identified above.

The management of the Town of West Bridgewater is responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal accounting control. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of control procedures. The objectives of a system are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that (1) assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and (2) that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Because of inherent limitations in any system of internal accounting control, errors or irregularities may nevertheless occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of the system to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the degree of compliance with the procedures may deteriorate. Our study and evaluation conducted for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph would not necessarily disclose all material weaknesses in the system. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the system of internal accounting control of the Town of West Bridgewater taken as a whole or on any of the categories of controls identified in the first paragraph. However, our study and evaluation disclosed no condition that we believed to be a material weakness.

The report is intended solely for the use of management. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of this report, which is a matter of public record.

Respectfully submitted,
Anthony V. Sulmonte

AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS

We have examined the general purpose financial statements of the Town of West Bridgewater, Massachusetts for the year ended June 30, 1987 and have issued our report thereon, which was qualified in several respects, dated December 4, 1987. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards; and the standards for financial and compliance audits contained in the Standards for Audit of Governmental Organizations, Programs, Activities and Functions, issued by the U.S. General Accounting Office and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

The management of the Town of West Bridgewater, Massachusetts is responsible for the Town's compliance with laws and regulations. In connection with the examination referred to above, we selected and tested transactions and records to determine the Town's compliance with laws and regulations non-compliance with which could have a material effect on the general purpose financial statements of the Town.

The results of our tests indicate that for the items tested, the Town of West Bridgewater, Massachusetts, complied with those provisions of laws and regulations, noncompliance with which, could have a material effect on the general purpose financial statements. Nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that for the items not tested the Town of West Bridgewater, Massachusetts was not in compliance with laws or regulations noncompliance with which could have a material effect on the Town's general purpose financial statements.

Respectfully submitted,
Anthony V. Sulmonte

REPORT OF THE SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

To the Citizens of West Bridgewater:

Vocational education at Southeastern Regional School District teaches students problem solving and analytical skills. Applied and small group educational activities reinforce basic communication and interpersonal skills, and promote their transfer ability to other educational/vocational areas.

Instruction in vocational classrooms is usually individualized to the needs of the student. Teachers emphasize student mastery of specific skills or academic/vocational competencies. Students progress at their own rate and students often work in teams on group projects.

Vocational education as a means of teaching often serves as the glue that holds the student's total education together, making academic work meaningful and goal-oriented. However, the real strength of vocational education lies in its ability to motivate students. Students find learning interesting and relevant to their lives.

Southeastern also provides students with real-world learning experiences through cooperative education job placements. The applied orientation of vocational skills, coupled with a tradition of field-based activities stimulates student motivation and provides concrete ways to learn abstract principles. Most important, students develop confidence in their abilities by applying both knowledge and skills to the tasks at hand.

West Bridgewater is a member of the Southeastern Regional School District. The district consists of seven other towns and the City of Brockton. Taxpayers support the school district through assessments which are based on the number of attending students from each member community. West Bridgewater's share of the FY88 \$6,802,687 budget consists of 3.53%, representing 50 students.

Southeastern offers 24 high school vocational training programs and 6 Technical Institute post-secondary programs. On October 1, 1986, 1,285 students were enrolled in the high school and 134 post-secondary students were enrolled in the Technical Institute.

In June 1987, the Southeastern Regional Vocational Technical High School graduated 271 students. Guidance Department records indicate that 100% of the members of the Class of 1987 were placed either in full-time jobs or had elected to further their education. Much of the success of our job placement record is attributed to the Cooperative Education program. Fifty-five percent of the Class of 1987 participated in the Co-op Program.

Federal grants from a variety of sources were used to offset equipment costs. Vocational Education Act grant funds (Public Law 98-524) were used to purchase a table saw, sander and three lathes for the House Carpentry and Machine Shop Programs.

Special Education funds (Public Law 94-142) were used to support our Chapter 766 program. Chapter II block grant funds were used to support Southeastern's commitment to computer-assisted instruction.

Equal Educational Opportunity Grant funds were used to purchase academic and vocational supplies.

School Improvement Council funds were also used to purchase equipment and supplies.

Curriculum and staff development continue to provide students with increased options upon graduation. Computer awareness was further incorporated into the mathematics curriculum. Increased reading and writing skills were strengthened by updating the curriculum and materials of the English Department.

Computer-assisted units are now being introduced into the vocational curriculum.

The annual Senior Awards Program provided over \$16,000 worth of scholarships and "toolships" to graduating students. This scholarship program enables students to obtain tools and equipment for employment or scholarship funds to continue their education.

The demand for graduates of vocational programs continues to be very strong in Massachusetts. Studies indicate that 15,000 vocational high school graduates are needed each year.

Southeastern is always seeking new and different ways of conducting its educational programs at minimal costs to the taxpayers of the district. The cost of operating the Southeastern Regional School District is among the lowest in the Commonwealth.

Respectfully submitted,
Eugene Kostecki

REPORT OF THE PLYMOUTH COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

The Commissioners of the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project are pleased to submit the following report of our activities during 1987.

The Project is a special district created by the State Legislature in 1957, and is now composed of 22 Plymouth County towns, the City of Brockton, and the Town of Cohasset in Norfolk County. The Project is a regional response to a regional problem and provides a way of organizing specialized equipment, specially trained employees, and mosquito control professionals into a single agency with a broad geographical area of responsibility.

This year there has been increased public fear concerning the possibility of mosquito transmitted AIDS. To date, however, there has been absolutely no scientific evidence to suggest that mosquitoes are in any way responsible for the transmission of AIDS Virus.

One of the few viruses that can be transmitted by mosquitoes is the one causing Eastern Equine Encephalitis. The threat of Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) was low in 1987. Populations of mammal-feeding mosquitoes were at very low levels when field samples of bird-feeding mosquitoes turned up evidence of the virus. Had populations of mosquitoes capable of moving the virus to humans been higher, additional spraying would have been initiated. As expected, no horse or human cases occurred. The recurring possibility of EEE of Southeastern Massachusetts continues to insure increasing levels of cooperation between this

Project and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

Overall, 1987 was another year of improvement and progress. Of primary importance was our water management work. A record number of mosquito producing areas were altered, and will no longer require spraying for larvae. Other improvements included reduction in the overall complaint response time, and the initiation of a systematic, county wide trapping program to monitor changes in mosquito populations. All of these accomplishments helped strengthen our Integrated Pest Management (IPM) program.

The figures specific to the Town of West Bridgewater are given below. While mosquitoes do not respect town lines, the information given below does provide a tally of the activities which have had the greatest impact on the health and comfort of West Bridgewater residents.

1. Insecticide Application. 5,312 acres were treated using truck mounted sprayers for control of adult mosquitoes. More than one application was made to the same site if mosquitoes reinvaded the area. The first treatments were made in May and the last in September.

Effort continues to be targeted at mosquitoes in the larval stage, which can be found in woodland pools, swamps, marshes, and other standing water areas. Inspectors continually gather data on these sites and treat with highly specific larvicides when immature mosquitoes are present. Last year a total of 47 inspections were made.

2. Machine Reclamation. 400 linear feet of ditch was reconstructed in West Bridgewater. This work is important and impacts mosquito populations over a long period of time. Mosquito production in areas where water management has been completed show dramatic reductions and reduce the need for insecticide use.

3. Mosquito Survey. A systematic sampling of the mosquitoes in West Bridgewater indicates that *Coquillettidia perturbans* was the most abundant species. Other important species collected included *Culiseta melanura* and *Culex restuans*.

We encourage citizens or municipal officials to call our office for information about mosquitoes, mosquito-borne diseases, control practices, or any other matters of concern.

REPORT OF THE OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL, AREA AGENCY ON AGING

As your representatives to the Old Colony Planning Council, Area Agency on Aging Advisory Committee, we are pleased to present this report of the Area Agency's activities for 1987.

The Old Colony Planning Council, acting as the Area Agency on Aging, is responsible for administering Title III funds under the Older Americans Act in the twenty-three communities in the service area. The Area Agency funds and coordinates a wide range of community, in-home and nutrition services through local Councils on Aging and other elder service agencies.

In 1987, several communities in the region directly benefited from funding under Title III-B of the Older Americans Act. These communities included: Brockton for the Dorn-Davies Senior Center; Bridgewater, Easton, and Lakeville for Outreach Programs; Hanover for Senior Center Renovations; Marshfield for the Chore and Minor Home Repair Program; Plymouth for Senior Center Programs; Plympton for the Rent-A-Kid Program; and Whitman for the development of Senior Center Architectural Plans.

In addition to the funding for individual communities, several regional programs received funding to provide services in all or part of the service area. Included among these regional programs are the Volunteer Transportation Program and the Nursing Home Ombudsman Program both administered by the Area Agency on Aging. Old Colony Elderly Services administered the Emergency Assistance Program for elders throughout the service area and the Minibus Program for elders in the communities of Halifax, Hanover, Hanson, Plympton, Rockland, West Bridgewater, and Whitman.

Other regionally administered programs funded this year include the Senior Law Project, two home health aide programs, and a hospice program. New regional programs funded this year were two in-home mental health programs and a program to assist mobility-impaired elders in making their home environment safe.

Nutrition services in the form of congregate and home delivered meals are made available through Title III-C monies in many communities in the service area. Several communities including Carver and Middleboro/Lakeville received funding assistance to prepare and provide meals locally. Additionally, many communities in the region operated nutrition sites and received catered meals under the auspices of Old Colony Elderly Services. The communities which hosted OCES nutrition sites and provided home delivered meals include Avon, Brockton, Easton, Halifax, Hanson, Pembroke, Plymouth, Stoughton, and Wareham. Several other communities operated locally supported nutrition programs and received home delivered meals from Old Colony Elderly Services for their frail and homebound elders. These nutrition programs play an integral role in attending to both the social and nutritional needs of elders.

The Council gratefully acknowledges the generous support and cooperation of the Area Agency on Aging member communities, specifically the participation and involvement of the members of the Area Agency on Aging Advisory Committee chaired by Mr. John Mather. The Council also recognizes the work of local boards and commissions and the many government agencies, public and private institutions and individuals who have assisted the Council.

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

I herewith submit the Annual Report of the West Bridgewater Police Department for the year 1987.

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| Complaints | 2,981 |
| Investigations | 7,748 |
| Breaking & Entering..... | 68 |
| Larceny | 117 |
| Arrests (Total)..... | 480 |
| Male Adult..... | 403 |
| Female Adult..... | 7 |
| Male Juvenile..... | 60 |
| Female Juvenile..... | 10 |

Following is a breakdown of some of the activity listed above. This does not include traffic violations or misdemeanors.

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| Assault & Battery..... | 22 |
| Robberies..... | 5 |
| Breaks (Residential)..... | 39 |
| Breaks (Commercial)..... | 29 |
| Larceny More..... | 74 |
| Larceny Less..... | 43 |
| Rapes | 0 |
| Attempted Rapes..... | 0 |
| Indecent Assault & Battery..... | 0 |
| Operating Under the Influence..... | 60 |
| Open & Gross Lewdness..... | 6 |
| Child Abuse..... | 0 |

MISCELLANEOUS

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| Accidents (Total)..... | 391 |
| Buildings Found Open..... | 52 |
| Assist Ambulance..... | 81 |
| Transport to Mental Health Facility..... | 8 |
| Assist Other Towns..... | 212 |
| Officer Assaulted..... | 0 |
| Fire Calls Covered..... | 81 |
| Bomb Scares..... | 6 |
| Alarms Answered..... | 758 |
| Missing Persons..... | 8 |
| Vehicles Stolen..... | 22 |
| Vehicles Recovered..... | 46 |
| Unexpected Deaths..... | 13 |
| Incapacitated Persons..... | 36 |

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|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Robberies | 5 |
| Vandalism | 130 |
| Alarms Answered | 758 |
| Alarms Answered (False)..... | 757 |
| Kidnapping | 0 |
| Attempted Suicide at Station..... | 0 |
| Murder | 1 |
| Value of Property Stolen..... | \$262,095.00 |
| Value of Property Recovered..... | \$140,096.00 |

TRAFFIC

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| Accidents | 391 |
| Fatals | 4 |
| Property Damage..... | 248 |
| With Injuries..... | 194 |

CITATIONS

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|----------------------|------------|
| Warnings | 801 |
| Non-Criminal | 2,123 |
| Arrests & Court..... | <u>375</u> |
| Total Citations..... | 3,299 |

MONIES RETURNED TO THE TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER — 1987

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| Pistol Permits Issued..... | \$ 650.00 |
| Licenses to Sell Firearms & Ammunition..... | 30.00 |
| Firearms Identification Cards..... | 82.00 |
| Receipts for Copies of Police Reports..... | 1,312.00 |
| Parking Fines from Plymouth County..... | 3,098.48 |
| Fines from Brockton District Court..... | 128,778.50 |
| Work Permits Issued (Sundays & Holidays)..... | <u>100.00</u> |
| TOTAL RECEIPTS TO TOWN:..... | \$134,050.98 |

The Police Department has moved into the renovated building and the new addition and I know that I speak for the entire Police Department when I express sincere thanks to the townspeople for providing this facility.

The enlarged and renovated Police Station has sufficient space to allow appropriate work areas for the men. It has increased efficiency in all areas of the Department.

I would also like to express sincere thanks to the Building Committee for the inclusion of the new computer, which will enhance record keeping regarding crimes, prisoners, the budget and all other areas for which we are required to keep detailed records. Records retrieval will be greatly enhanced, as well.

Drug Programs are now being planned in cooperation with Superintendent

of Schools Dr. Gerhart. These programs will target Grades Kindergarten through Six. In my opinion, this is perhaps the most important new program, as the children are our hope for the future and should be protected from the ravages of drugs, so prevalent in our society today.

There are many unresolved issues regarding traffic through our community. We must soon consider additional traffic controls on Route 106, as well as other areas of the Town. The recently installed four way stop signs at West and Manley Streets appear to be reducing the number of accidents at that location.

The time has come to provide the Town and the Department with a full time Detective position. The subject has been under discussion with the Board of Selectmen, and they have taken the matter under advisement. The workload of investigations has increased so dramatically over the last few years, that it is now necessary to have a full time person to take charge of investigations and to provide the necessary follow-up that results in an increased arrest rate.

I am still strongly recommending that the position of Lieutenant be established within the Police Department. It is important to provide another management officer to be second-in-command, particularly as we are looking toward a transition in the near future. At this time, if the Chief is unavailable, the four Sergeants act independently, with no management person in charge. It is also important to note that there is no budget control, other than the Chief, and no Departmental representation at the negotiating table, other than the Police Chief. For an efficient departmental operation and a smooth transition, I submit to you that this situation requires correction. Therefore, I strongly recommend that the position of Lieutenant be established as soon as possible.

To the members of the Police Department, I thank you all for your cooperation and dedication throughout the year. The construction phase was particularly difficult to work under, but you all came through.

Respectfully submitted,
Ervin G. Lothrop
Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR 12 MONTH FISCAL YEAR SINCE 1986-1987 TAX RATE WAS FIXED

| | |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Local Expenditures | \$ 8,332,918 |
| State and County Charges | 52,066 |
| Overlay | 135,602 |
| Overlay | 118,049 |
| GROSS AMOUNT TO BE RAISED | \$ 8,638,635 |

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| Total Estimated Receipts from State | \$ 2,310,456 |
| Prior Year Overestimates — State and County | -0- |
| Local Estimated Receipts | 1,214,581 |
| Free Cash | 104,556 |
| Other Available Funds | 154,624 |
| Revenue Sharing | 39,671 |
| Free Cash to Reduce Tax Rate | <u>235,755</u> |
| TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS | \$ 4,059,643 |

**NEW AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION
ON PROPERTY** **\$ 4,578,991**

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|--------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Assessed Value of Real Estate: | | |
| Land and Buildings | | \$408,769,400 |
| Personal Property | 7,580,900 | <u> </u> |
| | \$416,350,300 | |

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| TAX RATE PER THOUSAND: | |
| Residential/Open Space | \$9.84 |
| Commercial/Industrial/Personal Property | \$13.75 |

| | <u>R/O</u> | <u>CIP</u> | |
|---------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| School | 4.74 | 6.63 | 48.24% |
| General | <u>5.10</u> | <u>7.12</u> | <u>51.76%</u> |
| | 9.84 | 13.75 | 100.00% |

EXEMPT PROPERTY

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|---|------------|
| Old Bridgewater Historical Society | \$ 263,802 |
| Church Societies | 7,088,700 |
| Berwick Boys Foundation | 458,500 |
| H. Meredith Berry Trust | 590,400 |
| Town Hall Offices and Forestry Garage | 454,200 |
| Highway Garage | 437,700 |
| Fire and Police Station | 1,056,300 |
| Water Department | 2,653,100 |
| Park Department | 193,800 |
| Town Owned Cemeteries | 179,800 |
| Privately Owned Cemeteries | 907,100 |
| Transfer Station | 172,800 |
| Conservation Commission 261.36 | 1,012,300 |
| All Other Town Owned Land 113.38 | 289,600 |
| School Department and Library | 16,959,000 |
| West Bridgewater Housing Authority | 2,501,200 |
| Commonwealth of Mass.-Division Fishery & Wildlife 1,271.19 acres | 4,007,900 |
| Commonwealth of Mass. Land 241.67 | 891,500 |

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|------------------------|---------------|
| Samoset Rod & Gun Club | 306,300 |
| BAARC Facilities Inc. | 190,500 |
| Total Exempt Property | \$ 40,614,502 |

The following abatements and exemptions were granted for Fiscal Year 1988:

| Clause | Number | Amount |
|-----------------------------------|--------|-------------|
| 17D Surviving Spouse etc. | 19 | \$ 3,325.00 |
| 18 Financial Hardship | 2 | 1,706.26 |
| 22 Veterans | 57 | 9,975.00 |
| 22A Veterans | 5 | 1,750.00 |
| 22E Veterans | 1 | 525.00 |
| 22 Veterans — Paraplegics | 1 | 2,486.57 |
| 41A Deferred Tax | 4 | 3,506.60 |
| 41C Elderly | 50 | 25,000.00 |
| 37A Blind | 3 | 1,500.00 |
| Overvaluation — Real Estate | 41 | 36,406.86 |
| Overvaluation — Personal Property | 8 | 367.14 |
| Totals | 191 | \$86,548.43 |

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|-------------------------------------|-------------|-----------|--------------|
| Chapter 61 Forest Management | 55.37 acres | 3 parcels | . |
| Credit in Assessed Valuation | | | \$332,400.00 |
| Total Loss in Taxes | | | 4,570.50 |

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|---|----------------|-------------|----------------|
| Chapter 61A Agricultural & Horticultural | 1,667.98 acres | 114 parcels | |
| Credit in Assessed Valuation | | | \$9,939,000.00 |
| Total Loss in Taxes | | | 136,661.25 |

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|--------------------------------------|-------------|----------|--------------|
| Chapter 61B Recreational Land | 51.60 acres | 1 parcel | |
| Credit in Assessed Valuation | | | \$193,500.00 |
| Total Loss in Taxes | | | 2,660.62 |

The Board of Assessors would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to Assistant Assessor, Mrs. Shirley Bowman for the many years of dedication serving the Town of West Bridgewater, and wish her many years of healthy, contented retirement.

Under Chapter 797 of the Acts of 1979, our Town was required to complete a revaluation in 1987 which was contracted to Appraisal Consultants of New England and completed in August.

The revaluation's most significant changes were relative to land valuation; Residential land increased about 300% and Industrial about 200%. Overall the Town's valuation increased from \$174,865,970 to \$416,360,300.

As a result of the revaluation, the Board of Assessors determined that a

disproportionate growth had resulted between Residential property and Commercial/Industrial. We then recommended to the Board of Selectmen that they adopt a classification split tax rate of \$9.84/Residential/Open Space and \$13.75/Commercial/Industrial/Personal Property which was unanimously ratified.

Funds will be requested at our annual Town Meeting for the purpose of contracting an outside firm to perform annual maintenance of our property records. Savings will be reflected when a total revaluation is required in the future.

Continued growth within our Commercial/Industrial sector should contribute to stabilizing our overall tax base.

The Board of Assessors would like to express their thanks to our new Assistant Assessor, Donna Barakauskas, the various town departments and the townspeople who continue to give their support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,
West Bridgewater Board of Assessors
Gary A. Boyd, *Chairman*
DeSales Heath, *Clerk*
Irving Puffer, *Member*

TREASURER'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Treasurer respectfully submits her annual report for Fiscal 1987.

Borrowing was necessary this fiscal year due to the delay in mailing out the Tax bills. The amount borrowed was \$800,000.00 costing the Town \$6,939.72 in interest.

I wish to thank the Townspeople and the various municipal departments for their support.

| Trust Funds | Bal. as of | Interest | Funds | Bal. as of |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Cemeteries | 6/30/86 | earned | expended | 6/30/87 |
| Pleasant Hill | 4,692.15 | 252.39 | | 4,944.54 |
| Pine Hill | 3,375.63 | 181.53 | | 3,557.16 |
| Town Cemeteries | <u>8,637.82</u> | <u>485.18</u> | | <u>9,123.00</u> |
| | 16,705.60 | 919.10 | | 17,624.70 |
| Library Trust Funds | | | | |
| #1 | 15,523.37 | 834.87 | | 16,358.24 |
| #2 | 7,463.41 | 401.36 | | 7,844.77 |
| #3 | <u>15,529.92</u> | <u>835.23</u> | | <u>16,365.15</u> |
| | 38,516.70 | 2,071.46 | | 40,588.16 |

| | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|------------|-----------------|
| Curtis Library Fund | <u>8,511.00</u> | <u>509.48</u> | | <u>9,020.48</u> |
| | 47,027.70 | 2,580.94 | | 49,608.64 |
| W.J. & A.C. Howard Scholarship Fund | 5,767.72 | 297.92 | 500.00 | 5,565.64 |
| Drury Bell Fund | | | | |
| General Fund | 494.90 | 28.88 | | 523.78 |
| Scholarship | 168.38 | 9.44 | | 177.82 |
| Stabilization Fund | 131,064.75 | 28,148.72 | 115,000.00 | 44,213.47 |

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth L. Zamaitis
Treasurer-Collector

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

I hereby submit the Tax Collector's Report for 1987:

| | Outstanding 12/31/86 | Committed | Abated | Refunded | Collected | Tax Title | Balance 12/31/87 |
|------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|-----------|----------|--------------|-----------|---------------------|
| 1984 Motor Vehicles | 11,419.72 | | | | 46.99 | | 20,687.78 |
| 1985 Motor Vehicles | 22,790.46 | | 28.84 | | 2,073.84 | | 32,282.35 |
| 1986 Motor Vehicles | 33,934.63 | 74,213.97 | 4,844.87 | 1,212.03 | 72,233.41 | | 43,586.14 |
| 1987 Motor Vehicles | | 427,649.80 | 29,717.94 | 5,874.87 | 360,220.59 | | 1,381.46 |
| 1985 Personal Property | 1,444.46 | | | | 63.00 | | 2,423.10 |
| 1986 Personal Property | 2,697.80 | | | | 274.70 | | 4,165.51 |
| 1987 Personal Property | 68,622.31 | | 5.35 | | 64,451.45 | | 54,892.00 |
| 1988 Personal Property | | 104,237.83 | | | 49,345.83 | | ----- |
| 1987 Farm Excise | | 1,061.52 | | | 1,061.52 | | |
| Water | 21,050.45 | 304,769.13 | | | | | (9,064.63) |
| | | 200.00 | 28,347.10 | 210.00 | 268,555.60 | | |
| | | | 4,200.00 | | 34,305.00 | | |
| 1985 Water Lien | 842.78 | | | | 700.58 | 142.20 | |
| 1986 Water Lien | 2,224.60 | | | 30.00 | 1,470.60 | 480.00 | 304.00 |
| 1987 Water Lien | 11,022.40 | | | 60.00 | 7,721.00 | | 3,222.40 |
| 1988 Water Lien | | 26,321.00 | | | 19,231.50 | | 6,946.01 |
| 1984 Real Estate | 4,180.00 | | | 102.42 | 2,971.40 | | ----- |
| 1985 Real Estate | 40,265.61 | | | | 33,654.93 | 6,610.68 | |
| 1986 Real Estate | 82,189.74 | | | | 51,383.37 | 7,861.95 | 22,944.42 |
| 1987 Real Estate | 1,855,537.15 | | 2,737.56 | 5,834.28 | 1,790,392.11 | | 68,381.67 |
| 1988 Real Estate | | 4,474,755.32 | 46,129.28 | | 2,038,172.28 | | 2,390,453.76 |
| 1985 Boats | 176.00 | | 176.00 | | | | |
| 1986 Boats | 103.00 | 30.00 | 15.00 | | 80.00 | | 38.00 |

| | | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| 1987 Boats | | | 189.00 |
| Roll Back Tax | 1,117.00 | 301.00 | |
| Conveyance | 9,673.22 | | |
| 1981 Deferred Tax | 12,000.00 | | |
| Trailer Park Excise | 200.00 | | |
| Col. after Rebate | 23,634.00 | | |
| Interest Col. | 219.04 | | |
| CGS Col. | 34,016.12 | | |
| | <u>4,983.30</u> | | |
| | 4,883,534.40 | | |

Respectfully submitted
Elizabeth L. Zamaitis

**Town of West Bridgewater
Balance Sheet
June 30, 1987**

ASSETS

Exhibit D

| | GENERAL FUND | REVENUE SHARING | TRUST FUND | TOTAL (MEMO- RANDUM) RAN(DUM) (ONLY) |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------|--|
| CASH GENERAL | \$ 555,450 | \$ 4,041 | | \$ 559,491 |
| CASH INVESTED | 1,244,879 | 35,630 | \$117,718 | 1,398,227 |
| Total | 1,800,329 | 39,671 | 117,718 | 1,957,718 |
| ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE (Exhibit F) | | | | |
| Real Estate | 250,914 | | | 250,914 |
| Tax titles | 43,067 | | | 43,067 |
| Personal Property | 9,282 | | | 9,282 |
| Motor vehicle excise | 113,291 | | | 113,291 |
| Boat and farm excise | 458 | | | 458 |
| Water | 60,385 | | | 60,385 |
| Miscellaneous | 9,469 | | | 9,469 |
| Total | 486,866 | | | 486,866 |
| Less: Provision for abatements | 44,285 | | | 44,285 |
| Total | 442,581 | | | 442,581 |
| Tax Possessions | 13,336 | | | 13,336 |
| Due from Bond Issue | 1,200,000 | | | 1,200,000 |
| TOTAL | \$3,456,246 | \$39,671 | \$117,718 | \$3,613,635 |

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES

| | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| LIABILITIES | | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ 268,135 | | \$ 268,135 |
| Accrued payroll | 134,951 | | 134,951 |
| Deferred revenue | 334,486 | | 334,486 |
| Notes in anticipation of Bond Issue | <u>1,200,000</u> | | <u>1,200,000</u> |
| Total Liabilities | <u>1,937,572</u> | | <u>1,937,572</u> |
| FUND BALANCES | | | |
| Reserved for encumbrances | 83,255 | | 83,255 |
| Revolving funds | 300,045 | | 300,045 |
| Reserved for unforeseen Expenditures | 100,583 | | 100,583 |
| Expenditures unprovided for | (389) | | (389) |
| Unreserved-Designated | 235,755 | 117,718 | 353,473 |
| Reserved for appropriations | 512,507 | 30,498 | 543,005 |
| Water revenue surplus | 37,920 | | 37,920 |
| Unreserved | <u>248,998</u> | <u>9,173</u> | <u>258,171</u> |
| Total Fund Balances | <u>1,518,674</u> | <u>117,718</u> | <u>1,676,063</u> |
| TOTAL | <u>\$3,456,246</u> | <u>\$117,718</u> | <u>\$3,613,635</u> |

**Combined Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances
Budget and Actual General and Revenue Sharing For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1987**

Exhibit E

| | GENERAL FUND | | | REVENUE SHARING | | | TOTALS (MEMORANDUM ONLY) | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| | Actual | Budget | Over (Under) | Actual | Budget | Over (Under) | Actual | Budget | Over (Under) |
| Revenues: | | | | | | | | | |
| Taxes-Property | \$3,679,571 | \$3,674,129 | \$5,442 | | | | \$3,679,571 | \$3,674,129 | \$5,442 |
| Motor Vehicle Excise | 353,879 | 418,263 | (64,384) | | | | 353,879 | 418,263 | (64,384) |
| Tax Titles | 19,442 | 28,996 | (9,554) | | | | 19,442 | 28,996 | (9,554) |
| Water | 323,641 | 291,566 | 32,075 | | | | 323,641 | 291,566 | 32,075 |
| Intergovernmental | 2,273,672 | 2,264,638 | 9,034 | \$56,218 | | \$56,218 | 2,329,890 | 2,264,638 | 65,252 |
| Local | 311,930 | 252,299 | 59,631 | | | | 311,930 | 252,299 | 59,631 |
| Interest | 129,894 | 116,434 | 13,460 | 3,879 | | 3,879 | 133,773 | 116,434 | 17,339 |
| From other Funds | 140,000 | 140,000 | | 210,000 | 210,000 | | 350,000 | 350,000 | |
| Total | <u>7,232,029</u> | <u>7,186,325</u> | <u>45,704</u> | <u>270,097</u> | <u>210,000</u> | <u>60,097</u> | <u>7,502,126</u> | <u>7,396,325</u> | <u>105,801</u> |
| Expenditures: | | | | | | | | | |
| General Government | 64,915 | 62,877 | 2,038 | | | | | | 2,038 |
| Financial Administration | 518,161 | 518,629 | (468) | | | | 518,161 | 518,629 | (468) |
| Public Safety | 1,174,171 | 1,091,904 | 82,267 | 210,000 | 210,000 | | 1,384,171 | 1,301,904 | 82,267 |
| Education | 3,919,565 | 3,896,324 | 23,241 | | | | 3,919,565 | 3,896,324 | 23,241 |
| Highways | 567,808 | 555,988 | 11,820 | | | | 567,808 | 555,988 | 11,820 |
| Human Services | 77,996 | 89,618 | (11,622) | | | | 77,996 | 89,618 | (11,622) |
| Culture and Recreation | 101,037 | 103,918 | (2,881) | | | | 101,037 | 103,918 | (2,881) |
| Enterprise | 295,720 | 291,566 | 4,154 | | | | 295,720 | 291,566 | 4,154 |
| Debt Service | 119,622 | 127,285 | (7,663) | | | | 119,622 | 127,285 | (7,663) |
| Intergovernmental | 253,280 | 253,280 | 0 | | | | 253,280 | 253,280 | 0 |
| Other | 193,412 | 194,936 | (1,524) | | | | 193,412 | 194,936 | (1,524) |
| Total | <u>7,285,687</u> | <u>7,186,325</u> | <u>99,362</u> | <u>210,000</u> | <u>210,000</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>7,495,687</u> | <u>7,396,325</u> | <u>99,362</u> |
| Excess Revenues over Expenditures | <u>(53,658)</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>(53,658)</u> | <u>\$60,097</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>\$60,097</u> | <u>156,342</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>(53,658)</u> |
| Fund Balance July 1, 1986 | 576,331 | | | (50,924) | | | 525,407 | | |
| Designated 1988 Appropriations | (235,755) | | | | | | (235,755) | | |
| Fund Balance June 30, 1987 | <u>\$286,918</u> | | | <u>\$9,173</u> | | | <u>\$296,091</u> | | |
| Fund Balance — Water | 37,920 | | | | | | | | |
| Fund Balance — General | 248,998 | | | | | | | | |
| Total | <u>\$286,918</u> | | | | | | | | |

**TRUST FUNDS
BALANCE SHEET**

June 30, 1987

Exhibit F

W.J. & A.C.

| | Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds | Drury Bell Scholarship | Stabilization Fund | Library Fund | Howard Scholarship Fund | Totals |
|--|--|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|--|------------------|
| ASSETS: | | | | | | |
| Cash | <u>\$17,625</u> | <u>\$702</u> | <u>\$44,213</u> | <u>\$49,612</u> | <u>\$5,566</u> | <u>\$117,718</u> |
| LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES | | | | | | |
| Fund Balances, Undesignated | <u>\$17,625</u> | <u>\$702</u> | <u>\$44,213</u> | <u>\$49,612</u> | <u>\$5,566</u> | <u>\$117,718</u> |

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of West Bridgewater, the West Bridgewater Conservation Commission wishes to submit their annual report.

In 1987 the Conservation Commission held 23 regular meetings in the administration of the Wetlands Protection Act (Chapt. 131 Sect. 40).

In 1987 26 Notices of Intent were filed with the Commission and 26 Public Hearings held with 3 hearings being continued for added information. Also, the Commission issued 26 Orders of Conditions with two being denied.

There were three appeals to DEQE resulting in the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering issuing three Superceding Orders of Conditions to the Applicants. The Commission issued three extensions to Orders of Conditions allowing projects to continue under an existing Order. The Commission issued three Certificates of Compliance meaning that all work had been completed and had been certified by the design engineers of the project.

In 1987 Five Enforcement Orders were issued stopping work being done in violation of the Wetlands Protection Act and ordering the violators to file for the proper permits as allowed by law.

This past year four fueling establishments filed for permits to replace fuel tanks that were being installed in areas subject to the Wetlands Protection Act. One application was for a new installation. There were ten site visits conducted by the Commission in the pursuit of violations and also, in the interest of developers and pending applications. In addition, the Commission conducts many interviews with realtors, developers and investors.

The amount of mail being reviewed and being sent out each month is forever on the rise.

Some of the more complex projects and the largest that the Commission has been instrumental in are Eastern Edison, Cricket Lane Casuals and Command Trucking Company among others that were reviewed during the year.

Development is on the rise in West Bridgewater and land is becoming more scarce.

In closing, the Conservation Commission wishes to thank the Board of Selectmen, Building Inspector, Planning Board, Board of Appeals, Board of Health, and most of all, the people that work in the Town Hall on a day-to-day basis for their many kindnesses and endless help in making things work.

Respectfully submitted,
John Dacey, *Chairman*
Howard Hayward, *V. Chairman*
Linda Greene, *Secretary*
Thomas Driscoll

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

It is with great pleasure that the Council on Aging submits our annual report to the townspeople of West Bridgewater.

The past twelve months have proved to be an exciting time for all of us on the Council on Aging. With Town Meeting approval, the long-sought position of Elder Services Director was funded. After considerable discussions and numerous interviews, the COA and Board of Selectmen are pleased to announce the appointment of Joan Johnson of West Bridgewater as Elder Services Director for the Council on Aging.

NOW, the long planned for coordination of programs development, volunteer recruitment, outreach, as well as social services delivery can be implemented. It has been the philosophy of the COA and many other elder service delivery programs that senior citizens can best be served through a coordinated community effort bringing together all services necessary for maintenance of dignity of being, independence in living, and quality of life as channelled through a central focus, in our case an active senior citizens center.

We are now focusing our attentions to coordinate these very components to insure that all our senior citizens have equal access to all such services.

The last several months have seen the final stages of the installation of a new, state of the art, Hobart dishwasher in our kitchen facilities at the JOY Senior Center located in the A Wing of the Spring Street School. At no cost to the town the \$8,100 was raised through successful Grants applications through both Old Colony Planning Council Area Agency on Aging, State Formula One Grant for Councils on Aging, and funding through the Capen Trust. This new equipment will go a long way toward helping us to maintain a cost efficient meals program.

An item of interest is the unanimous vote of the COA to petition the Board of Selectmen to place on the annual meeting Warrant an Article which will call for West Bridgewater to join the Brockton Area Transit Authority. As have our sister communities of East Bridgewater and Bridgewater, the West Bridgewater Council on Aging is interested only in the services provides through the small, van system. This has proven to be a cost effective system of providing much needed transportation to seniors over the age of 60 as well as non-elderly handicapped persons. No one will ever be refused because of inability to pay the small donation of \$1.00 per trip. This system of transportation will supplement our much over-worked corps of volunteers drivers, and greatly enhance the ability of those seniors to live independently and enjoy the same privileges as you and I who have transportation readily available. We urge the voters to act positively upon this Article as we feel this is an enhancement to our community for both seniors and non elderly handicapped.

We would be remiss if we did not thank the many people who have assisted us in the past year. A heartfelt thank you to Leo Moroni, Leo Volta, Supt. of Schools, Dr. Ronald Gerhart, our many, many volunteers, and especially the seniors themselves who contribute so much of themselves to what we try to do. To George McGuire, John Rosnell, Eleanor Lindsay, Kathleen V. Fenstermaker, Eileen Beane, Joseph McMorrow, Samuel Feinberg, Arthur Gianunzzio, Ellen Benson, and to the many I have probably omitted unintentionally, a very warm thank you on behalf of the Council on Aging. It is the volunteer, you see, that makes our programs work. The COA has a minimal staff in number, and it is our small "legion" of volunteers that makes us tick. They are really the heart and soul of all we do.

Respectfully,

Beth Burgess, *Chairman*

Marjorie MacDonald, *Vice-Chairman*

Mildred Lucier, *Secretary*

Joseph McMorrow, *Treasurer*

Robert Bolger

David Cohen

Samuel Feinberg

Edmond Grover

Kenneth Hollis

Doris Sandrock

Lloyd Sears

Virginia Michaels

REPORT OF SOUTHEAST HUMAN RESOURCES ASSOCIATES

Over the past year our center has provided over 3,500 units of service to residents of West Bridgewater.

During FY'89, we project referrals from West Bridgewater to increase by approximately 10. A summary of services is provided below:

Total Units Per Year: 4,077

Individual Therapy Sessions: 1,448

Group Therapy Sessions: 86

Medication Visits: 2,543

Anthony Simonelli

Executive Director

INDEX

| | |
|--|---------|
| Animal Inspector | 67 |
| Appointed Town Officers | 9 |
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| Recreation Department | 44 |
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|--|-----|
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| Births | 35 |
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| Town Counsel | 93 |
| Town Officers | 7 |
| Town Treasurer | 114 |
| Trustees for County Cooperative Extension Service..... | 100 |
| Veterans Service | 59 |
| Visiting Nurse Association | 62 |
| Water Department | 97 |
| Wire Inspector..... | 65 |

OFFICE HOURS FOR TOWN OFFICES

| | |
|------------------------------|---|
| Assessors | Daily 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. |
| Board of Health | 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. |
| Planning Board | 1st & 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. |
| Selectmen | Daily 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Reg. Meetings: Tuesday Twice Monthly 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. |
| Tax Collector & Treasurer | Daily 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. |
| Town Clerk | Daily 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. |
| Veterans' Services | Daily 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Monday thru Thursday |
| Water Department | Daily 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. |

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

SELECTMEN'S.....586-1394

CONNECTING ALL TOWN OFFICES

588-4820588-4854

ASSESSORS.....588-6740

WATER DEPARTMENT583-0813

FIRE DEPARTMENT

ONLY in case of fire — call.....586-3232
(Give name, address and type of fire)

For permits to burn — call586-4137

FOR AMBULANCE SERVICE586-3232

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Call this number — day or night586-2525

DOG OFFICER.....584-8998

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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Town Officers and Committees
OF THE TOWN OF
WEST BRIDGEWATER



For the Year Ending December 31

1988

Dedication

This Annual Report is dedicated to Anna E. Brown, who faithfully and conscientiously served the Town of West Bridgewater for fifty-two years, and who brought distinction to the office of Town Clerk. The Town of West Bridgewater expresses its gratitude and appreciation for the exemplary service on the part of Mrs. Brown.

In Memoriam

Donald Fisher

Superintendent of Schools

1962-1979

Regional School District Planning Committee

1985

Tennis Committee

1965-1988

Frank Miller

Economic & Industrial Commission

1956-1957

Industrial Development Commission

1957-1987

Lance Ohlson

Board of Registrars

1970-1988

Henry Pomeroy, Jr.

Finance Committee

1947-1953

New Fire Station & Town Office Committee

1952

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen hereby submits its 167th Annual Report.

Judith Kinney ran for a second three-year term on the Board of Selectmen and was declared elected after the Town Election in April.

The members of this Board of Selectmen, in addition to serving as your Chief Elected Officials, also represent the community on various other agency boards. Robert Smith serves as representative on the Brockton Area Transit Authority Advisory Board. Eldon Moreira serves as the Town's representative on the Plymouth County Advisory Board and as delegate to the Old Colony Planning Council. Mrs. Kinney serves as the Town's Park-ing Clerk.

The Board of Selectmen reviewed the position of Administrative Assistant and continue to support its existence. The duties performed by Doris Haight in this capacity have proven invaluable to the Town of West Bridgewater and its residents.

A three-year grant awarded through the Executive Offices of Communities and Development provided funding for 75% of the salary determined for this appointment in fiscal year 1988, and will continue to fund at the levels of 50% in fiscal year 1989 and 25% in fiscal year 1990.

During the month of April, Linda Souza was appointed to the position of Confidential Secretary to the Board of Selectmen due to the vacancy created by the retirement of Artemis Bucci. We extend our sincere gratitude to Mrs. Bucci for her many years of dedicated service to the Town.

As appointing authority for the Police Department, the Selectmen appointed a new Sergeant, William Stoddard, effective February 28, 1988. During May, the Board further appointed four Permanent Intermittent Police Officers effective July 1, 1988.

Police Chief Ervin Lothrop notified the Board of Selectmen of his intention to resign in August of 1989. In connection with this, the Selectmen requested from the Department of Personnel Administration both state-wide open competitive and departmental promotional examinations in order to appoint a new Chief of Police. Said examinations will be held in the beginning of the upcoming year.

The Police Station Building Committee completed its work during 1988 and was disbanded upon request. The Board extends their appreciation to the members of this committee who contributed their time and efforts to the Town in assisting with the completion of the new Police Station.

In accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Board of Selectmen held numerous hearings as the licensing authority for Liquor Licenses, Auto Dealer Licenses, Fuel Storage Permits and other licenses as required by statute.

In October of 1987, the Town appropriated \$50,000.00 for repairs to municipal buildings. In accordance with the context of said appropriation, the Fire Station received a new roof and overhead doors. In addition, the trim on the Town Hall was painted and exterior repairs were completed.

Fee structures, including those for required licenses and building permits, were revised in accordance with the increased costs to provide the appropriate services.

The final audit of the renovations to the Howard School was completed, and final payment from the School Building Assistance Bureau is expected in fiscal year 1989.

A considerable amount of time was spent reviewing insurance coverage for the Town of West Bridgewater, including the fleet policy, the building and liability policies and the group health and life plans. This project requires a great deal of attention in preparing for appropriations at Town Meeting.

The Town voted to join Dial-A-Bat to provide necessary transportation to our senior citizens.

The Board of Selectmen supported the Mutual Aid Paramedic Rapid Response Program offered by Norfolk-Bristol Ambulance Service to enhance emergency services available to the citizens of West Bridgewater at no cost to the Town.

The Town accepted a gift of a gazebo from New England Telephone Company in consideration of an easement through the Town Hall parking lot for the installation of telephone equipment.

After many years of discussion, Town Meeting vote approved the paving of the existing traveled way of Forest Street to the Clinton Road Bridge.

The Board of Selectmen and the Board of Library Trustees signed a contract with Consalvo & Sons, Inc. of Hyde Park, MA for the construction of the new public library facilities approved at Town Meeting.

The Town entered into an agreement with KVS Information Systems, Inc. for computer hardware and software. The conversion from the manual system to the computer is ongoing. We would like to acknowledge the efforts of the Town Hall staff in implementing this process.

The Town converted the accounting system to the Uniform Municipal Accounting System (UMAS). This was accomplished with the assistance of an audit firm hired and funded by the Department of Revenue.

The Board of Selectmen held a classification hearing on November 2, 1988 and approved for the second time the recommendation of the Board of Assessors for a 25% shift of the property tax burden from residential to industrial and commercial.

Due to the cooperation and hard work of the Finance Committee, School Committee and all other departments serving the people of West Bridgewater, the Board of Selectmen was able to avert a Proposition 2 1/2 override for fiscal year 1989.

The State's fiscal problems and the anticipated reductions in local aid will impose severe budget constraints on all local governments. The Board of Selectmen met with Representative Burgess and Senator Kirby in December in order to communicate to them West Bridgewater's concerns.

Under the direction of Selectman Judith Kinney, a beautification fund was established. This is an example of Townspeople and businesses contributing to make West Bridgewater a better place to live.

On behalf of the Town, the Board of Selectmen wishes to thank all those who have participated as elected officials, appointed officials and volunteers. The Board is encouraged by the most favorable response to its recent appeals for candidates interested in participating in local government. Any citizen who is interested in giving time and service to our community should complete the brief form found at the back of this Annual Report.

Robert L. Smith, *Chairman*
Eldon F. Moreira, *Clerk*
Judith A. Kinney, *Member*

Statistics of the Town of West Bridgewater

1980 — Federal Census - 7152

1988 — Town Census - 6880

Total Registered Voters - 4154

PRECINCT I

Republican 560

Democrat 565

Unenrolled 1072

PRECINCT II

Republican 393

Democrat 455

Unenrolled 1109

Number of Residences — 2293

Area of Town — 15.75 Square Miles

60.02 Miles of Water Mains

Local Road Mileage 68

COUNCILLOR — FIRST DISTRICT

Rosemary Tierney

SENATOR — 2ND PLYMOUTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT

Edward P. Kirby

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

10TH PLYMOUTH DISTRICT

Edward S. "Ted" Burgess, Jr.

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

11TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Brian Donnelly

1989

Town Meeting — May 8

Town Election — April 15

Town Officers for 1988

Elected Term Exp.

MODERATOR

John C. Eldridge 1988 1989

TOWN CLERK

Marion L. Leonard 1988 1991

SELECTMEN

Robert L. Smith 1987 1989

Eldon F. Moreira 1987 1990

Judith A. Kinney 1988 1991

ASSESSORS

DeSales J. Heath 1986 1989

Irving W. Puffer 1987 1990

Gary A. Boyd 1988 1991

TREASURER/COLLECTOR

Elizabeth L. Zamaitis 1987 1990

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Paul G. Galvin 1987 1989

Cheryl D. Kennedy 1987 1989

James L. Grandfield 1987 1990

Robert Wayne Legge 1987 1990

Sarah Howard (Resigned) 1988 1991

Sylvia Kostecki 1988 1991

REGIONAL-VOCATIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Eugene Kostecki 1987 1990

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Joseph A. Kennedy 1986 1989

William P. Oakhem 1987 1989

Linda A. Santry 1987 1990

Frederick M. Fitch 1987 1990

R. Linn Peterson 1988 1991

Paul Curnutte 1988 1991

WATER COMMISSIONERS

David L. Churchill 1988 1989

John W. Noyes 1987 1990

Donald G. Asack 1988 1991

TREE WARDEN

Philip D. MacQuinn 1986 1989

CONSTABLES

| | | |
|------------------------|------|------|
| Raymond L. Silva | 1986 | 1989 |
| Walter Thayer | 1986 | 1989 |

BOARD OF HEALTH

| | | |
|-----------------------|------|------|
| Marie T. Bagley | 1986 | 1989 |
| James B. Howell | 1987 | 1990 |
| Edward F. Cruz | 1988 | 1991 |

PLANNING BOARD

| | | |
|------------------------------|------|------|
| Stephen P. Wood | 1984 | 1989 |
| Howard Anderson | 1985 | 1990 |
| Hugh R. Hurley | 1987 | 1991 |
| Joseph L. McMorrow, Sr. | 1987 | 1992 |
| Grete Bohannon | 1988 | 1991 |

HOUSING AUTHORITY

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|------|------|
| Richard C. Williams | 1984 | 1989 |
| Carl R. Bystrom | 1985 | 1990 |
| Robert Kellie | 1986 | 1991 |
| Albert Greiner | 1987 | 1992 |
| Marion H. Bartell (State Appt.) | 1988 | 1993 |

Officers Appointed by the Selectmen

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Doris Haight

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Arthur S. Cabral

ADMINISTRATOR OF INSURANCE

Doris Haight

Ronald P. Gerhart

APPEAL BOARD

| | Appointed | Term Exp. |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Henry Podolsky (Resigned) | 1986 | 1989 |
| Harry Ketler | 1985 | 1990 |
| James Wolfsberg (Resigned) | 1987 | 1991 |
| George O. Merritt | 1987 | 1992 |
| Michael D. Feresten | 1988 | 1991 |
| William E. Lucini | 1987 | 1989 |

Associate Members:

| | | |
|---------------------|------|------|
| Walter Thayer | 1988 | 1991 |
|---------------------|------|------|

ARTS LOTTERY COUNCIL

| | | |
|---------------------------|------|------|
| Karen Moran | 1987 | 1989 |
| Theodore Nystrom | 1987 | 1989 |
| Carolyn LePage | 1987 | 1989 |
| Paul Revere Brown | 1988 | 1990 |
| Sandra White | 1988 | 1990 |
| Jean Freitas | 1988 | 1990 |
| Virginia T. Michael | 1989 | 1991 |
| Helen Wood | 1989 | 1991 |
| Rita Broman | 1989 | 1991 |
| William T. Michael | 1989 | 1991 |
| Lou Ann Chilauskas | 1989 | 1991 |
| Lucy Eaton | 1989 | 1991 |

BAY CIRCUIT GREEN BELT COMMITTEE

Howard Hayward, Rep.

Conservation Commission

Historical Commission

BROCKTON AREA MENTAL HEALTH & RETARDATION REPRESENTATIVE

Catherine Poudrier

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Steven D. Crawford

BY-LAW STUDY COMMITTEE

Claire Davock
John C. Eldridge
Paul J. Sheedy

David W. Lacy
Marlene Howell
Richard McMahon

CABLE TELEVISION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

| | Appointed | Term Exp. |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Herbert P. Billett | 1987 | 1989 |
| Julio Miglierini | 1987 | 1989 |
| Peter Turner | 1987 | 1989 |
| Donald G. Tarr | 1988 | 1990 |
| Richard J. Bagley | 1988 | 1991 |

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

| | | |
|--|------|------|
| Michael Manugian, Director | 1988 | 1989 |
| Ronald P. Snell, Deputy Director | 1988 | 1989 |

CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY

Linda J. Souza

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

| | | |
|----------------------------------|------|------|
| John A. Dacey (Resigned) | 1986 | 1989 |
| Thomas Driscoll (Resigned) | 1987 | 1989 |
| Joseph Souza | 1987 | 1989 |
| Howard M. Hayward | 1987 | 1989 |
| Quentin Holmes | 1988 | 1989 |
| Denise Cabral | 1988 | 1989 |
| Linda Greene | 1988 | 1991 |

COUNCIL ON AGING

| | | |
|------------------------------------|------|------|
| Robert Bolger | 1986 | 1989 |
| Lloyd A. Sears | 1986 | 1989 |
| Doris Sandrock | 1986 | 1989 |
| Kenneth B. Hollis (Resigned) | 1987 | 1990 |
| Samuel Feinberg | 1987 | 1990 |
| Marjorie E. MacDonald | 1987 | 1990 |
| Virginia T. Michaels | 1987 | 1990 |
| Mary Keylor (Resigned) | 1988 | 1990 |
| Julio Miglierini | 1988 | 1990 |
| Anne E. Gillis | 1988 | 1990 |
| Anna E. Brown | 1988 | 1991 |
| Beth I. Burgess | 1988 | 1991 |
| David J. Cohen | 1988 | 1991 |
| Mildred H. Lucier | 1988 | 1991 |

COMPUTER COMMITTEE

| | |
|----------------------|------------------|
| Frederick Baker, Jr. | Marion Loughman |
| Shelly Leibowitz | Charles Pye |
| | Warren E. Turner |

DOG OFFICER

Julie A. Vivace

DRURY BELL COMMITTEE

| | |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| Marjorie E. MacDonald | Judith A. Kinney |
| Robert L. Smith | Eldon F. Moreira |

ENERGY COORDINATOR

George Miller

FENCE VIEWERS

| | | |
|--------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Joseph Souza | Marilyn Raleigh | Hugh Hurley |
|--------------|-----------------|-------------|

FIELD DRIVERS

| | | |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| George Kinney | Howard A. Anderson | George E. Richardson |
|---------------|--------------------|----------------------|

FIRE CHIEF

Charles Dyke

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Charles Dyke

HANDICAPPED COMMISSION

Russell Bump

James C. Barber

Virginia T. Michael

HAZARDOUS WASTE COORDINATOR

Charles Dyke

HERITAGE CAPSULE CUSTODIANS

| | Appointed | Term Exp. |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Charles A. Pickering | 1986 | 1989 |
| Marjorie E. MacDonald | 1987 | 1990 |
| Kenneth A. Turner | 1988 | 1991 |

HERRING WARDEN

Phillip C. Tuck

DEPUTY HERRING WARDENS

Thomas B. MacQuinn

Joseph Souza

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

| | | |
|--------------------------|------|------|
| Lawrence D. Conant | 1986 | 1989 |
| Lucia Marcotte | 1988 | 1990 |
| Raymond A. Mack | 1989 | 1990 |
| Susan Cross | 1988 | 1991 |
| Phillip Anderson | 1989 | 1991 |

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

| | |
|-----------------------------|------|
| William E. Turner, Jr. | 1989 |
| Thomas Phelan | 1990 |
| Donald L. MacIver | 1991 |
| David L. Churchill | 1992 |

ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

| | |
|-----------------------|------|
| Charles Higgins | 1989 |
| Samuel Read, Jr. | 1990 |

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

| | |
|-----------------------------------|------|
| Madelyn T. Burke (Resigned) | 1989 |
| Donald L. MacIver | 1990 |
| Peter McPhail | 1991 |
| Joseph L. McMorrow, Sr. | 1992 |

INSPECTOR OF WIRES

Albert Greiner

LOCKUP KEEPER

Walter Thayer

MEMORIAL FIELD COMMITTEE

Robert Splitz

Michael D. Feresten

Thomas Roulstone

MEMORIAL AND VETERANS' DAY COMMITTEE

Michael D. Feresten

Emmet Miller

Francis J. Boyd

Richard McMahon

MOBILE HOME PARK RENT CONTROL

| | |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Charles R. Barros | 1988-1989 |
| Leno Volta..... | 1988-1989 |
| Joseph Souza... .. | 1987-1989 |
| Patricia A. Cheromcka | 1987-1989 |
| Robert McKean, Jr. | 1987-1990 |

MULTI-HEALTH SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

(Vacant)

OCPC AREA AGENCY ON AGING

David J. Cohen

Virginia T. Michaels, Alt.

OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL, 3 YRS.

| | Appointed | Term Exp. |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Eldon F. Moreira..... | 1986 | 1989 |

OLD COLONY ELDERLY SERVICES

Joan K. Johnson

Lloyd Sears

**OLD COLONY OVERALL ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM REPRESENTATIVE**

Steven J. DeLuca

OLD COLONY SOLID WASTE

John C. Eldridge

PARKING CLERK

Judith A. Kinney

PIC DESIGNEE

PLYMOUTH COUNTY ADVISORY BUDGET DESIGNEE

Eldon F. Moreira

PLUMBING AND GAS INSPECTOR

Joseph Donovan

CHIEF OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Ervin G. Lothrop

PEST CONTROL SUPERINTENDENT, 3 YRS.

Philip D. MacQuinn

RECREATION COMMISSION

| | Appointed | Term Exp. |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Bernice Breer | 1987 | 1989 |
| Joseph Gareri | 1985 | 1990 |
| Mary Lou Jenness | 1986 | 1991 |
| Susan Pye | 1988 | 1993 |
| Colleen Lawrence | 1988 | 1993 |

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

| | | |
|----------------------------------|------|------|
| John Sillars (Resigned) | 1986 | 1989 |
| Anna E. Brown | 1988 | 1989 |
| Lance R. Ohlson (Deceased) | 1987 | 1989 |
| Charles Johnson | 1989 | 1990 |
| Francis J. Boyd | 1989 | 1991 |

REPRESENTATIVE TO SELF-HELP, INC.

Joan K. Johnson

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Donald E. Newman

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Herbert A. Wolfer

TENNIS COMMITTEE

| | |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Marlene A. Howell | Marianne Lorry |
| Nancy M. Consolazio | Lois Ketler |
| Ethel T. Fisher | |

TOWN COUNSEL

John P. Lee

TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

| | | |
|--------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Thomas B. MacQuinn | Craig Harding | Richard E. Norris |
|--------------------|---------------|-------------------|

VETERAN'S AGENT

Armen Amerigian

Appointments by Moderator

COMMITTEE TO APPOINT A FINANCE COMMITTEE

| | |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Warren E. Turner (Resigned) | Paul Sheedy |
| Marion Loughman | Henry Bishop |
| Michael Manugian | |

STREET LIGHTING COMMITTEE

| | |
|------------------|------------------|
| John B. Sillars | Raymond L. Silva |
| Arthur Steptoe | John Daly |
| James F. Purpura | |

MUNICIPAL BUILDING NEEDS AND USE COMMITTEE

| | Appointed | Term Exp. |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| John F. Bottini | 1988 | 1991 |
| Richard H. McMahon | 1988 | 1991 |
| Joseph L. McMorrow, Sr. | 1986 | 1989 |

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT PLANNING COMMITTEE

Thomas F. Kelley Paul Curnutte William P. Bystrom

Appointments by Board of Health

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Leo F. Moroni

BOARD OF HEALTH PHYSICIAN

Dr. Joseph F. Calitri

BURIAL AGENT

Marion L. Leonard

Appointments by the Chief of the Fire Department

DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF

Leonard T. Hunt

DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS

| | |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| Paul R. Lanoue | Thomas B. MacQuinn |
| Leonard T. Hunt | Allen A. Breer |
| Richard W. Gibson | Paul Golder |
| Charles A. Dyke | Thomas Dunlevy |

Finance Committee

| | Appointed | Term Exp. |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Frederick A. McPeck | 1986 | 1989 |
| Donald A. Miller | 1987 | 1989 |
| Sonja A. Bolmant | 1988 | 1989 |
| Sylvia Kostecki (Resigned) | 1987 | 1990 |
| Joanne M. Kelley (Resigned) | 1987 | 1990 |
| William D. Pope... .. | 1988 | 1991 |
| Warren E. Turner | 1989 | 1990 |
| Richard Pomroy | 1989 | 1990 |
| Jeanine Dustin | 1988 | 1990 |
| Carmella Sherren | 1989 | 1991 |
| Regina M. Gross | 1989 | 1991 |
| David Medros (Resigned) | 1989 | 1991 |

TOWN CLERK REPORT

Presidential Primary

March 8, 1988

Under warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen and dated February 22, 1988 the Presidential Primary was held at the Spring Street School with the polls open from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Penalty and instruction cards and specimen ballots and all other requirements of the law were observed.

The ballot boxes in both precincts were inspected and the registers set at 0000. 1150 Republican and 1150 Democratic Ballots were given to the Wardens of both precincts by the Town Clerk and receipt given for the same.

Election officers were as follows:

Precinct I: Charles H. Johnson, Warden; Edythe Baker, Clerk; Natalie Beaulieu, Mary Cruz, Joyce Nystrom, Helen Johnson, Checkers; Audrey Johnson, Janet Merritt, Alice Richardson, Joan Sillars, Lois Ketler, Nancy Consolazio, Counters and Observers; William R. Brown, Jr. and Ann Long, Tally.

Precinct II: John B. Sillars, Warden; DeSales Heath, Clerk; Shirley Almquist, Cora-lee Bertocci, Barbara Cohen, Paula Turner, Checkers; Catherine Chaves, Elizabeth Turner, Marie Bagley, Joan McAndrew, Counters and Observers; Helen Nelson, Claire Davock, Total Tally.

At the close of the polls the ballot box showed 683 Ballots cast in Precinct I, of these, 347 were Republican and 336 Democratic.

At the close of the polls the ballot box showed 543 Ballots cast in Precinct II, of these, 256 were Republican and 287 Democratic.

The following results were announced:

REPUBLICAN BALLOT

| PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE: | Prec. I | Prec. II | Total |
|---------------------------|---------|----------|-------|
| Pierre S. DuPont IV | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Marion G. (Pat) Robertson | 29 | 11 | 40 |
| George Bush | 226 | 169 | 395 |
| Alexander M. Haig, Jr. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Jack Kemp | 20 | 20 | 40 |
| Bob Dole | 63 | 53 | 116 |
| No Preference | 7 | 1 | 8 |
| Blanks | 0 | 2 | 2 |

STATE COMMITTEE MAN:

| | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-----|-----|
| George C. Decas | 238 | 164 | 402 |
| Blanks | 109 | 92 | 201 |

STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN:

| | | | |
|---------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Penny F. Reid | 247 | 173 | 420 |
| Blanks | 100 | 83 | 183 |

TOWN COMMITTEE:

| | | | |
|-----------------------|-------|------|-------|
| Barbara Knight | 9 | 12 | 21 |
| Charles H. Johnson | 11 | 13 | 24 |
| Eldon F. Moreira | 9 | 14 | 23 |
| Warren E. Turner | 9 | 14 | 23 |
| Charles A. Pickering | 9 | 14 | 23 |
| DeSales J. Heath | 9 | 15 | 24 |
| Gary A. Boyd | 7 | 14 | 21 |
| John C. Eldridge | 10 | 14 | 24 |
| Robert L. Smith | 10 | 14 | 24 |
| Elizabeth Turner | 7 | 14 | 21 |
| Fiona Miller | 8 | 15 | 23 |
| Patricia Alger | 7 | 13 | 20 |
| Frank S. Miller | 6 | 14 | 20 |
| Betty Alden Miller | 6 | 15 | 21 |
| Richard Knight | 7 | 13 | 20 |
| Ronald Byrnes | 7 | 13 | 20 |
| Marjorie E. MacDonald | 7 | 13 | 20 |
| Eugene Kostecki | 4 | 14 | 18 |
| Mildred Lucier | 9 | 15 | 24 |
| Lance Ohlson | 8 | 13 | 21 |
| Peter Turner | 4 | 1 | 5 |
| Scattered | 19 | 4 | 23 |
| Blanks | 11963 | 8679 | 20642 |

DEMOCRATIC BALLOT**PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE:**

| | Prec. I | Prec. II | Total |
|--------------------|---------|----------|-------|
| Michael S. Dukakis | 169 | 149 | 318 |
| Albert Gore, Jr. | 21 | 15 | 36 |
| Florenzo DiDonato | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Paul Simon | 9 | 11 | 20 |
| Bruce Babbitt | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| Richard Gephardt | 63 | 46 | 109 |
| Jessie L. Jackson | 59 | 50 | 109 |
| Gary Hart | 7 | 6 | 13 |
| Lyndon LaRouche | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| No Preference | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| Marion Commo | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| Scattered | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Blanks | 3 | 2 | 5 |

STATE COMMITTEE MAN:

| | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Robert E. Hayes | 222 | 197 | 419 |
| Blanks | 114 | 90 | 204 |

STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN:

| | | | |
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| Scattered | 3 | 7 | 10 |
| Blanks | 329 | 280 | 609 |

TOWN COMMITTEE:

| | | | |
|-------------------------|------|------|------|
| John S. Baker | 191 | 181 | 372 |
| Helen Fisher | 198 | 177 | 375 |
| Richard E. Krugger, Sr. | 177 | 173 | 350 |
| Shirley L. Krugger | 171 | 166 | 337 |
| Richard E. Krugger, Jr. | 168 | 176 | 344 |
| Marilyn Raleigh | 200 | 197 | 397 |
| John B. Sillars | 190 | 181 | 371 |
| David T. Rice | 177 | 171 | 348 |
| Irving W. Puffer | 181 | 173 | 345 |
| Joseph F. Linehan | 207 | 184 | 391 |
| Deborah M. Rich | 189 | 176 | 365 |
| Catherine Chaves | 210 | 196 | 406 |
| Donald Young | 3 | 4 | 7 |
| Scattered | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| Blanks | 4455 | 3584 | 8039 |

A true copy,

Attest:

Anna E. Brown, CMC

Town Clerk

Annual Town Election April 16, 1988

The Annual Town Election was held at the Spring Street School on Saturday, April 16, 1988. The Warrant issued by the Selectmen was posted by the Constable, Raymond L. Silva on April 4, 1988 in accordance with the provisions of the Town By-Laws.

Specimen Ballots, cards of instructions and abstracts of the laws imposing penalties upon voters were posted as required by the laws of the Commonwealth.

The polls were opened at 9:00 a.m. The ballot boxes in both precincts were inspected and the registers set at 0000. A total of 2,500 ballots were given to the Wardens, John B. Sillars and Charles H. Johnson and receipt given to the Town Clerk for the same.

At the close of the polls at 8:00 p.m., the ballot box registers showed the following number of ballots cast:

| | |
|-------------|------------|
| Precinct I | 908 |
| Precinct II | <u>822</u> |
| Total | 1730 |

The following workers were sworn in:

Precinct I: Charles H. Johnson, Warden; Edythe Baker, Clerk; Natalie Beaulieu, Mary Cruz, Helen Johnson, Joyce Nystrom, Checkers; Theresa Boardman, JoAnne Stork, Joan McAndrew, Audrey Johnson, Janet Merritt, Alice Richardson, Counters; Joseph Souza, Ann Long, Tally.

Precinct II: John B. Sillars, Warden; Warren Laughton, Clerk; Shirley Almquist, Coralee Bertocci, Paula Turner, Barbara Cohen, Checkers; Elaine Laughton, Marie Bagley, Catherine Chaves, Eleanor Turner, Joan Sillars, Lois Ketler, Counters; Claire Davock, Dorothy Williams, Tally.

The following results were announced:

| MODERATOR, 1 YR. | Prec. I | Prec. II | Total |
|------------------|---------|----------|-------|
| John C. Eldridge | 722 | 662 | 1384 |
| Scattered | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| Blanks | 183 | 159 | 342 |

John C. Eldridge declared elected.

| TOWN CLERK, 3 YR. | | | |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Bernice B. Breer | 150 | 136 | 286 |
| Kathleen E. Fenstermaker | 312 | 223 | 535 |
| Marion L. Leonard | 369 | 367 | 736 |
| Diane M. Soares | 55 | 73 | 128 |
| Scattered | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| Blanks | 19 | 22 | 41 |

Marion L. Leonard declared elected.

| SELECTMAN, 3 YR. | | | |
|----------------------|-----|-----|------|
| Judith A. Kinney | 674 | 572 | 1246 |
| Charles A. Pickering | 217 | 226 | 443 |
| Scattered | | 1 | 1 |
| Blanks | 17 | 23 | 40 |

Judith A. Kinney declared elected.

| ASSESSOR, 3 YR. | | | |
|-----------------|-----|-----|------|
| Gary A. Boyd | 725 | 654 | 1379 |
| Blanks | 183 | 168 | 351 |

Gary A. Boyd declared elected.

| TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC LIBRARY, 3 YR. | | | |
|----------------------------------|-----|-----|------|
| Helen S. Millet | 659 | 578 | 1237 |
| Sarah W. Howard | 581 | 512 | 1093 |
| Blanks | 576 | 554 | 1130 |

Helen S. Millet & Sarah W. Howard declared elected.

| SCHOOL COMMITTEE, 3 YRS. | | | |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Paul H. Curnutte | 471 | 364 | 834 |
| John M. Broderick | 239 | 229 | 468 |
| Ruth Linn Peterson | 430 | 425 | 855 |
| Gregory A. York | 335 | 310 | 645 |
| Scattered | 2 | | 2 |
| Blanks | 339 | 316 | 655 |

Paul H. Curnutte & Ruth Linn Peterson declared elected.

| WATER COMMISSIONER, 3 YRS. | | | |
|----------------------------|-----|-----|------|
| Donald G. Asack | 771 | 693 | 1464 |
| Blanks | 137 | 129 | 266 |

Donald G. Asack declared elected.

WATER COMMISSIONER, 1 YR.

| | | | |
|--------------------|-----|-----|------|
| David L. Churchill | 737 | 657 | 1394 |
| Blanks | 171 | 165 | 336 |

David L. Churchill declared elected.

BOARD OF HEALTH, 3 YRS.

| | | | |
|----------------|-----|-----|------|
| Edward F. Cruz | 717 | 643 | 1360 |
| Blanks | 191 | 179 | 370 |

Edward F. Cruz declared elected.

PLANNING BOARD, 5 YRS.

| | | | |
|----------------|-----|-----|------|
| Grete Bohannon | 682 | 614 | 1296 |
| Blanks | 226 | 208 | 434 |

Grete Bohannon declared elected.

QUESTION #1

| | | | |
|--------|-----|-----|------|
| Yes | 600 | 533 | 1133 |
| No | 229 | 224 | 453 |
| Blanks | 79 | 65 | 144 |

A true copy,
 Attest:
 Anna E. Brown, CMC
 Town Clerk

Annual Town Meeting May 16, 1988

The following action was taken at the Annual Town Meeting in which the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs were notified by warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen and posted by the Constable Raymond L. Silva on May 9, 1988. Meeting held in the High School Gymnasium.

Meeting called to order by the Moderator John C. Eldridge at 7:30 p.m. Invocation was given by the Reverend Paul Hanna, Minister of First Church, Howard Street.

Warrant was read by the Town Clerk, Marion L. Leonard, 138 voters were present.

Meeting was taped for cablevision by Ralph Wadman, Karl Bystrom, Joseph Kennedy and Robert Slowey.

Meeting proceeded as follows:

Article 1. Move: The reports of all Town Officers and Committees be accepted as printed in the 1987 Annual Town Report.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 2. Move: That the Treasurer with approval of the Selectmen be authorized to borrow in the anticipation of the revenue of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1988, in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 3. Move: That the Board of Selectmen be authorized to enter into a contract or contracts with the Department of Public Works and the County Commissioners for the construction and maintenance of Public Highways for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1988.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 4. Move: To transfer the sum of \$1,860.00 from the Library State Aid account to the Library Expense Account.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 5. Move: The salary of the following elected Town Officers for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1988 be set at:

| | |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Moderator — \$215.00 | Tree Warden — \$29,881.00 |
| Selectmen — \$6,090.00 | Assessors — \$7,112.00 |
| Town Clerk — \$23,340.00 | Water Comm. — \$4,253.00 |
| Board of Health — \$1,593.00 | Treas./Coll. — \$27,337.00 |

The following committees to serve without pay:

Planning Board, Library Trustees, School Committee.

Upon vote, motion carried.

Article 6. Move: The sum of \$8,401.00 be appropriated by department salary and expense totals as printed in the Finance Committee report to meet such expenditure as follows:

1. Library Account (#28) \$126,652.00 reduced by Library State Aid of \$1,860.00 as voted in Article 4 and \$124,792.00 from taxation.
2. Water Dept. (#30) \$221,308.00 from Water Revenue.
3. Insurance (#50.1) Casualty & Liability, \$10,040.00, (#50.2) Group Insurance, \$7,002.22 from Water Revenue.
4. Bonds and Interest (#51.2) \$157,913.00 from Water Revenue.
5. Street Light \$15,000.00 from Overlay Surplus, Reserve Fund \$40,000.00 from Overlay Surplus.
6. Travel, Out of State — Police, \$500.00, Fire \$100.00, Water Dept. \$200.00.

Upon vote, motion carried.

Article 7. Move: To authorize the School Committee to maintain a State-Aided vocational program in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 74 General Laws, as amended and to raise and appropriate sum of \$1,575.00.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 8. Move: The Town appropriate the sum of \$25,000.00 to be expended by the School Committee for the purpose of selection of an architectural designer for (1) the replacement or repair of the roof of the Rose L. MacDonald School and the High School, and (2) the repair of the exterior portions of the four school buildings as recommended by the 1987 Survey of Exterior Skin report and to request the Municipal Building Needs and Use Committee for recommendations and to meet this expenditure the treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be authorized to borrow pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L., Chapt. 44, Section 7, Clause (22).

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 9. Move: The Town vote to accept the provisions of Section 40, of Chapter 71, as amended, to increase all teacher salaries to at least \$20,000.00 per year.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 10. Move: The Town vote to join the Brockton Transportation Authority pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 161B, Section 3.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 11. Move: The sum of \$3,000.00 to be raised and appropriated, \$500.00 from taxation and \$2,500.00 transferred from Article 11, voted June 17, 1985 to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to purchase office equipment for the Town Hall.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 12. Move: The sum of \$27,274.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the Town's share of \$6,818.50 and in anticipation of reimbursement of the State's share of \$20,455.50 for state-aid construction and maintenance.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 13. Move: The sum of \$14,500.00 be raised and appropriated, \$5,504.00 from taxation and \$8,996.00 transferred from surplus equipment account, to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to purchase a one-ton dump truck with plow for the Highway Dept. and to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of a 1978 3/4 ton pickup in the best interest of the Town.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 15. Move: The sum of \$1,200.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to purchase a trench compactor for the Highway Department.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 16. Move: The Town vote to accept an equal education opportunity grant for the Southeastern Regional School District for Fiscal Year 1989 under the provisions of G.L. Chapter 70A, S5, as inserted by Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1985. Said grant shall be expended by the School Committee for direct service expenditures with funds provided solely by the Commonwealth.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 17. Move: The sum of \$41,000.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to purchase hardware and software for the Town Hall Offices.

Upon vote, motion carried.

Article 18. Move: The sum of \$2,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the Town's participation in the Self-Help, Inc. Community Outreach Program.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 19. Move: The sum of \$13,650.00 be raised and appropriated to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for the purchase and equipping of one (1) 1988 sedan type cruiser for the Police Dept. and to authorize and empower the Board of Selectmen to dispose of one (1) 1983 cruiser in the best interest of the Town.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 22. Move: The sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated to purchase one ambulance stretcher for the Fire Dept.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 23. Move: The sum of \$900.00 be raised and appropriated to replace two (2) time clocks in the Fire Dept.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 24. Move: The sum of \$4,000.00 be raised and appropriated, \$3,244.00 from taxation and \$756.00 transferred from the Right to Know Law Account, to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to purchase a recording system for the Fire Dept. telephone.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 25. Move: The sum of \$1,600.00 be raised and appropriated to purchase eight (8) lockers for the fire station.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 27. Move: The sum of \$450.00 be raised and appropriated to purchase a printing telecommunications device for the deaf for the Fire Dept.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 28. Move: The Town vote to accept the provisions of M.G.L., Chapter 148 Section 26G — “An act further regulating the installation of automatic sprinkler systems.”

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 29. Move: The sum of \$25,000.00 be raised and appropriated from water revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase water meters.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 30. Move: The sum of \$1,100.00 be raised and appropriated from water revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase a new Chemical Pump for the Norman Avenue pumping station.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 31. Move: The sum of \$10,000.00 be raised and appropriated from water revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase draw-down instrumentation for the wells and tank telemetry.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 32. Move: The sum of \$4,000.00 be raised and appropriated from water revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase a new water meter and recorder for the Manley Street well.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 33. Move: The Town appropriate the sum of \$175,000.00 to be expended by the Water Commissioners to develop and construct two new wells, one on Cyr Street and one on Norman Avenue, and to lay and relay water mains of not less than six inches to both wells and any related equipment and to meet such expenditure the sum of \$37,920.00 be transferred from water revenue surplus and the treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be authorized to borrow the sum of \$137,080.00 pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L., Chapter

C O R R E C T I O N

WE APOLOGIZE FOR THE PRINTER'S ERROR.

FRONT COVER DESIGNED BY CHRIS MATHER.

BACK COVER DESIGNED BY MARK PHELAN.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
West Bridgewater, Massachusetts 02379
Telephone 508-588-4820

ACT NOW TO SERVE YOUR COMMUNITY!

Town government needs citizens who are willing to give time in the service of their community. The Board of Selectmen has organized a Talent Bank as a means of compiling names of citizens willing to serve, voluntarily, on boards, committees and as resource people. Names in our file will be available for use by the public as well as all Town offices, the Selectmen and the Moderator.

If you wish to participate, please complete this form, indicate your areas of interest and return to:

Selectmen's Office
Town Hall
West Bridgewater, MA 02379

Name _____ Tel No. _____

Address _____ Occupation _____

Background _____

List order of preference:

PLANNING & PRESERVATION

- Conservation Commission
- Industrial Development Commission
- Planning Board
- Appeals Board

EDUCATION

- School Committee Activities
- Resource Person for Schools
- Other

RECREATION

- Youth Work
- Other

OTHER

- Housing Authority
- Council on Aging
- Arts Lottery Council
- Construction Committee
- Historical Committee

GOVERNMENT

- Finance Committee
- Committee Studying
Changes
- By-Law Study Committee

HEALTH

- Social Services

44, Section 8, Clause (5).

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 34. Move: The Town appropriate the sum of \$52,000.00 to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase a backup generator for the Town's wells and to meet such expenditure the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen be authorized to borrow pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L., Chapter 44, Section 8, Clause (5).

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 35. Move: The sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated from water revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to purchase a blueprint and map storage cabinet.

Upon vote, motion carried.

Article 36. Move: The sum of \$20,000.00 be raised and appropriated from water revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to pave the access road and parking lot of the new water department facility.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 37. Move: The Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell at Public Auction Town-owned land previously taken by the Town for non-payment of taxes and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to reject any bid which they deem inadequate and further, the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for expenses the Board might incur in the sale of this land.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 38. Move: The Town vote to adopt a new fee schedule for the Town Clerk's fees in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 262, Section 34, Clauses 1-79, the schedule being available in the Town Clerk's office, posted on the Town bulletin board and distributed at this meeting.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 39. Move: The Town vote to adopt a new fee schedule for the Sealer of Weights and Measures in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 98, Section 56, the schedule being available in the Town Clerk's office, posted on the Town bulletin board and distributed at this meeting.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 40. Move: The sum of \$80,000.00 be raised and appropriated and \$75,000.00 from taxation and \$5,000.00 from water revenue to establish a reserve for wage increases for General Government employees for Fiscal Year 1988/89 subject to contract negotiations and appropriate Town meeting approval.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 43. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Anna E. Brown was honored by the Board of Selectmen and a Resolution presented for her 39 years of service to the Town as Town Clerk.

John Noyes was presented a plaque by Donald Asack, on behalf of the Water Department for his thirty years of dedicated service to that department.

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 P.M.

TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER
 Annual Town Meeting, May 16, 1988
 Summary of Money Articles

| ITEM | TAX LEVY | E&D OR OVERLAY | REVENUE WATER | BORROWING | TRANSFER/ OTHER ACCTS. | STATE FUNDS | TOTALS |
|--|------------|-------------------|------------------|------------|---------------------------|----------------|------------|
| Library, Art 4 | | | | | | 1,860.00 | 1,860.00 |
| Sch. Comm.-State Aid Vocat. Article 7 | 1,575.00 | | | | | | 1,575.00 |
| Architect. Design Article 8 | | | | | | | 25,000.00 |
| Town Hall Office Article 11 | 500.00 | | 25,000.00 | | 2,500.00 | | 3,000.00 |
| State-aid Const. & Maint. Article 12 | 6,818.50 | | | | | 20,455.50 | 27,274.00 |
| One-ton dump truck Article 13 | 5,504.00 | | | | 8,996.00 | | 14,500.00 |
| Trench Comp. Article 15 | 1,200.00 | | | | | | 1,200.00 |
| Computer Hardware/Software Article 17 | 41,000.00 | | | | | | 41,000.00 |
| Self-Helf Comm. Article 18 | 2,000.00 | | | | | | 2,000.00 |
| Police Cruiser Article 19 | 13,650.00 | | | | | | 13,650.00 |
| Ambulance Stretcher Article 22 | 1,000.00 | | | | | | 1,000.00 |
| Time Clock Fire Article 23 | 900.00 | | | | | | 900.00 |
| Record Sys/Fire Article 24 | 3,244.00 | | | | 756.00 | | 4,000.00 |
| Lockers Fire Article 25 | 1,600.00 | | | | | | 1,600.00 |
| Print TeleComm. Dev. Fire Article 27 | 450.00 | | | | | | 450.00 |
| Water Meters Article 29 | | | 25,000.00 | | | | 25,000.00 |
| Chemical Pump Article 30 | | | 1,100.00 | | | | 1,100.00 |
| Draw-down Inst. Article 31 | | | 10,000.00 | | | | 10,000.00 |
| Water Met & Rec. Article 32 | | | 4,000.00 | | | | 4,000.00 |
| 2 new wells Article 33 | | | 37,920.00 | 137,080.00 | | | 175,000.00 |
| Back-up Gen. Article 34 | | | 52,000.00 | | | | 52,000.00 |
| Map Stor. Cab. Article 35 | | | 1,000.00 | | | | 1,000.00 |
| Pave Access Road Article 36 | | | 20,000.00 | | | | 20,000.00 |
| Auction Exp. Article 37 | 1,000.00 | | | | | | 1,000.00 |
| Reduce Tax Rate Article 40 | 75,000.00 | | | | | | 80,000.00 |
| TOTALS | 155,441.50 | | 156,020.00 | 162,080.00 | 12,252.00 | 22,315.50 | 508,109.00 |

March 4, 1988

The following resolution was presented to Anna E. Brown, at a testimonial given her in honor of her retirement from the position of Town Clerk.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN Resolution

WHEREAS, ANNA E. BROWN has served the Town of West Bridgewater as Town Clerk for a period of thirty-nine years and thirteen years as Assistant Town Clerk for a total of fifty-two years; and

WHEREAS, ANNA E. BROWN has faithfully and conscientiously served the Town of West Bridgewater and has brought distinction to the office; and

WHEREAS, ANNA E. BROWN has given of her energy, dedication and enthusiasm for fifty-two years and has always been in the forefront promoting the best interests of West Bridgewater, be it

NOW, THEREFORE, RESOLVED;

That the Town of West Bridgewater expresses its gratitude and appreciation in the exemplary service of ANNA E. BROWN and that this RESOLUTION be spread on the records of the TOWN CLERK and a copy presented to ANNA E. BROWN.

THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN,
Judith A. Kinney, *Chairman*
Eldon F. Moreira, *Clerk*
Robert L. Smith

ATTEST:
Frances S. Leadbetter
Assistant Town Clerk

Special Town Meeting May 17, 1988

The following action was taken at the Special Town Meeting in which the inhabitants of the Town Qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs were notified by warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen and posted by the Constable, Raymond L. Silva on May 3, 1988. Meeting held in the High School Gymnasium.

Meeting was called to order by Moderator John C. Eldridge at 7:30 P.M. and the warrant was read by Town Clerk, Marion L. Leonard.

Seventy seven voters checked in at the door. Guests were Paul J. O'Connor of New England Tel. & Tel., Roy Chapman of New England Tel. & Tel. and Arthur Cabral, Town Accountant.

Meeting proceeded as follows:

Article 1. Move: The sum of \$15,000.00 to be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to pay operating expenses for the transfer station.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 2. Move: The sum of \$6,005.22 be transferred from the unencumbered fund balance to pay medical bills over the \$2,000.00 insurance coverage for a police officer injured in the line of duty.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 3. Move: The sum of \$35,000.00 be transferred from the Forest Street Layout account and \$8,100.00 from the Forest Street Acceptance Account to pave the existing traveled way of Forest Street from the end of the 1939 Layout to the Clinton Road Bridge.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 4. Move: The Town vote to grant to the New England Telephone Company an easement into the Town Hall Parking Lot and adjacent lawn area for the installation of a precast concrete hut to provide a secure location for the electronics of fiber optic feeder cable. Said easement may be located at the option of the Town with a one-year notice.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 5. Move: The Town vote to accept from New England Telephone Company a gift of a gazebo, landscaping and electrical work for the island in the Town Hall Parking Lot Specifications subject to the approval of the Board of Selectmen.

Upon vote, motion carried.

Article 6. Move: The Town vote to amend Article XII of the By-Laws by adding Section 3, Sub-section D as follows:

D. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 137A of Chapter 140, the fee for each license for a Kennel shall be Twenty-five dollars if not more than four dogs are kept in said kennel, Fifty dollars if more than four but not more than ten dogs are kept therein, and one hundred dollars if more than ten dogs are kept therein, effective June 1, 1988.

Upon vote, motion carried.

Article 7. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Moved to adjourn at 8:05 P.M.

A true copy,
Attest:
Marion L. Leonard
Town Clerk

**TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER
Special Town Meeting — May 17, 1988**

| <u>ITEM</u> | <u>UNENCUMBERED FUND</u> | <u>TRANSFER/ OTHER ACCTS</u> | <u>TOTALS</u> |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|---|---------------|
| Transfer Station, Article 1 | \$15,000.00 | | \$15,000.00 |
| Medical Bills, Article 2 | 6,005.22 | | 6,005.22 |
| Forest St. Paving Article 3 | | \$35,600.00 (Layout acct.) 8,100.00 (Accept acct.) | |
| Total funds from Unencumbered | 21,005.22 | | 43,700.00 |
| Total funds from Transfer | | 43,700.00 | |
| Total funds | | | 64,705.22 |

A true copy,
ATTEST:
Marion L. Leonard
Town Clerk

Special Town Meeting

June 13, 1988

The following action was taken at the Special Town Meeting in which the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs were notified by warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen and posted by the Constable Raymond L. Silva on May 27, 1988. Meeting was held in the High School Cafeteria.

Meeting was called to order by the Moderator, John C. Eldridge at 7:30 P.M. The warrant was read by the Town Clerk, Marion L. Leonard, 33 voters were present.

The meeting proceeded as follows:

Article 1. Move: The Town vote to transfer \$90,000.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Account to the Insurance Account to pay increased insurance costs for FY 87/88.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 2. Move: The Town vote to transfer \$7,193.87 from the Excess and Deficiency Account to the Bonds and Interest Account to pay additional costs for FY 87/88.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 3. Move: The Town vote to transfer \$50,000.00 to the Reserve Fund as follows:

\$15,000.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Account
\$15,000.00 from the Highway Operating Budget
\$ 6,000.00 from the Building Inspectors Budget
\$ 3,000.00 from the Conservation Commission Budget
\$ 4,517.00 from the Street Lights Account
\$ 6,483.00 from the Contributory Retirement Account.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 4. Move: That the Town vote to direct the Board of Selectmen to present a petition to the General Court of the Commonwealth for and on behalf of the Town of West Bridgewater praying that it enact the following special law:

Ervin G. Lothrop, Police Chief of the Town of West Bridgewater, be exempted from the provisions of M.G.L., Chapter 32, Section 5, Paragraph 1, which requires his retirement upon reaching age 65 until August 31, 1989. Time to include August 31, 1988, up to and including August 31, 1989.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 5. Move: The Town vote to transfer \$8,000.00 from FY 86/87 School Department Encumbered Funds to Fiscal Year 88/89 for School Department Expenses.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Article 6. Move: The Town vote to transfer \$5,000.00 from FY 87/88 School Department Budget to Fiscal Year 88/89 for School Department Expenses.

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:42 P.M.

TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER

Special Town Meeting

June 13, 1988

| <u>ITEM</u> | <u>TRANSFERS</u> | <u>TOTALS</u> |
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| Article 1 Ins. Acct | \$90,000.00 Excess & Deficiency | \$90,000.00 |
| Article 2 Bonds & Int. | 7,193.87 Excess & Deficiency | 7,193.87 |
| Article 3 Reserve | 15,000.00 Excess & Deficiency | |
| | 15,000.00 Highway Oper Budget | |
| | 6,000.00 Building Insp Budget | |
| | 3,000.00 Con Comm Budget | |
| | 4,517.00 Street Lights Acct | |
| | 6,483.00 Contrib RetireAcct | 50,000.00 |
| Article 5 Sch. Dept. Exp. FY88/89 | 8,000.00 FY 86/87 Sch Dept Encum Funds | 8,000.00 |
| Article 6 School Dept. Exp. FY88/89 | 5,000.00 FY87/88 Sch Dept Budget | 5,000.00 |
| TOTAL | | <u>\$160,193.87</u> |

A true copy,
 ATTEST:
 Marion L. Leonard
 Town Clerk

Special Town Meeting November 1, 1988

A meeting of which the inhabitants of the Town qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs were notified by warrant issued by the Board of Selectmen and posted by Constable Raymond L. Silva on October 19, 1988.

The meeting was called to order in the Junior-Senior High School Auditorium by the Moderator, John C. Eldridge at 7:30 P.M.

With 49 qualified voters present, the meeting proceeded as follows:

Article 1. Moved: The Town vote to rescind that portion of Article 19 of the Annual Town Meeting held on May 16, 1988, which authorized the Board of Selectmen to dispose of one (1) 1983 Police Cruiser in the best interest of the Town and vote to transfer to the Water Department one (1) 1983 cruiser and that the sum of \$1,200.00 be raised and appropriated from Water Revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioner to paint and equip said vehicle.

Voted unanimous.

Article 2. Moved: The Town vote to transfer the sum of \$1,400.00 from the Library State Aid Account to the Library Expense Account.

Voted unanimous.

Article 3. Moved: The Town vote to rescind the vote on Article 33 of the Annual Town Meeting of May 16, 1988 appropriating \$175,000.00; \$37,920.00 from Water Revenue Surplus and \$137,080.00 by borrowing, to be expended by the Water Commissioners to

develop and construct two (2) new wells, one (1) on Cyr Street and one (1) on Norman Avenue, and to lay and relay water mains of not less than six (6) inches to both wells and any related equipment.

Voted unanimous.

Article 4. Moved: The Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$175,000.00 to be expended by the Water Commissioners to develop and construct two (2) new wells, one (1) on Cyr Street and one (1) on Norman Avenue and to lay and/or relay water mains of not less than six (6) inches to both wells and to purchase related equipment and to meet such expenditure, the Treasurer, with the Approval of the Selectmen be authorized to borrow the sum of \$175,000.00 pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 8, Clause (5).

Amendment: To read "to be paid by Water Revenue"

Both Motion and Motion to amend voted unanimous.

Article 5. Moved: The Town vote to raise and appropriate \$1,205.21 from Water Revenue to be expended by the Water Commissioners to pay old bills for FY87/88.

Voted unanimous.

Article 6. Moved: The Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$44,776.00 for the resurfacing, improvement, construction, and/or reconstruction of the Town's streets pursuant to the applicable chapters of the acts of legislature as approved by the Selectmen and the Massachusetts Department of Public Works, and to meet such appropriation the Town's share of \$9,092.00 be raised from taxation and that the treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow \$35,684.00, the state's share of state-aid construction, and to deposit any funds received under state-aid construction in a separate account to be used for the retirement of the debt, and, in addition thereto, the Town vote to authorize the Town treasurer to pay any interest due on said borrowing from the account for interest on temporary borrowing.

Voted unanimous.

Article 7. The Town vote to establish a fee of \$50.00 for an innkeeper's or common victualler's license.

Voted unanimous.

Article 8. The Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,500.00 to be added to the Board of Selectmen's operating budget to pay for contracted billing services for ambulance fees.

Voted unanimous.

Article 9. The Town vote to amend the Town By-Laws, Article XV, Water Department by adding the following:

Section 2. No person shall uncover, make any connection with or opening into, use, alter or disturb any public water main or appurtenances thereof without first obtaining a written permit from the Board of Water Commissioners. No water, unless by written permission of the Board, shall be provided to any person except through a meter owned by the Town; and no meter shall be removed without the permission, in writing, of the Board of Water Commissioners. No person shall turn on or tamper with a hydrant.

Section 3. In the event of a shortage of potable water due to drought or other adverse conditions and/or malfunction of the pumping equipment or other major appurtenances

of the water system, the Board of Water Commissioners may declare an emergency to protect the public health, safety and welfare. The Board may restrict, curtail or prohibit the use of water for lawn sprinklers, car washing, filling of swimming pools and other uses of water deemed by the Board to be non-essential while the emergency is in effect.

Section 4. Any person violating the provisions of Section 2 and Section 3 immediately above shall be subject to a fine of \$25.00 for the first offense, \$50.00 for the second offense and \$200.00 for each additional offense, which fine shall inure to the Town. Fines shall be recovered by a complaint filed in District Court or by non-criminal disposition in accordance with the provisions of Section 21D or Chapter 40 of the General Laws. Each day that such violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

Voted unanimous.

Article 10. Move: The sum of \$2,169.58 be raised and appropriated to replenish the police outside detail revolving account.

Voted unanimous.

Article 11. Move: The sum of \$28,066.30 be transferred from "Free Cash" to pay old bills for FY87/88.

Voted unanimous.

Article 12. Move: To pass without action.

Voted unanimous.

Article 13. Move: The sum of \$4,071.50 be transferred from Article 12 of the Annual Town Meeting of 1985, authorizing the Selectmen to paint the trim of the Town Hall, and the sum of \$10,683.00 be transferred from Article 40 of the Annual Town Meeting of 1986, authorizing the Selectmen to make necessary exterior repairs to the Town Hall, to be expended by the Board of Selectmen to paint the wood trim and to make any necessary repairs to the Town Hall.

Voted unanimous.

Article 14. Move: The Town vote to accept a gift for the ambulance from the West Bridgewater Firefighters' Association of a Short Spine Board called "BP Extrication of Vertical Lift Harness".

Voted unanimous.

Article 15. Move: The sum of \$13,026.00 be transferred from the reserve from Wage Increases Account to the following operating budgets to meet wage increases and contractual obligations for FY89:

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| Accountant | \$1,782.00 |
| Treasurer/Collector | 1,723.00 |
| Assessors | 1,870.00 |
| Town Clerk | 698.00 |
| Election & Registration | 102.00 |
| Town Hall | 336.00 |
| Inspector of Buildings | 500.00 |
| Dog Officer | 753.00 |
| Civil Defense | 46.00 |
| Veterans Services | 630.00 |

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| Water Department | 2,453.00 |
| Recreation | 183.00 |
| Council on Aging | 1,950.00 |

Motion carried — majority vote

Article 16. Move: To pass without action.

Voted unanimous.

Article 17. To rescind the votes made under Article 6 at the Annual Town Meeting on May 16, 1988, appropriating the sum of \$40,000.00 to the Reserve Fund and the sum of \$15,000.00 from street lights from Overlay Surplus and vote to transfer the sum of \$55,000.00 from "Free Cash" to the Reserve Fund, of which the sum of \$15,000.00 will be used for street lights.

Voted unanimous.

Article 18. Move: To pass without action.

Voted unanimous.

Article 19. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Moderator John C. Eldridge publicly thanked Administrative Assistant Doris Haight for her help to him in preparing for this meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

A true copy,
 ATTEST:
 Marion L. Leonard
 Town Clerk

State Election November 8, 1988

The State Election was held at Spring Street School on Tuesday, November 8, 1988. The Warrant issued by the Selectmen was posted by the Constable, Raymond L. Silva on October 28, 1988 in accordance with the directive from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Specimen ballots, cards of instructions and abstracts of the laws imposing penalties upon voters were posted as required by the Commonwealth.

The Polls were opened at 7:00 a.m. The ballot boxes in both precincts were inspected and the registers set at 0000. A total of 4500 ballots were given to the Wardens John Sillars and Charles H. Johnson and receipt given to the Town Clerk for same.

At the close of the polls at 8:00 p.m. the ballot box registers showed the following number of ballots cast:

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| Precinct I | 1960 |
| Precinct II | <u>1764</u> |
| Total | 3724 |

The following workers were sworn in:

Precinct I: Charles H. Johnson, Warden; Edythe Baker, Clerk; Natalie Beaulieu, Marie Cruz, Helen Johnson, Joyce Nystrom, Checkers; Terri Moriarty, Janet Merritt, Alice Richardson, Lois Kettler, Catherine M. Chaves, Karolyn Boyd, JoAnn Stork, Joan McAndrews, Frances Leadbetter, Katherine Deibel, Elizabeth Turner, Theresa Boardman, Counters and Observers; Claire Davock, Dorothy Williams, Total Tally.

Precinct II: John Sillars, Warden; Warren Laughton, Clerk; Shirley Almquist, Coralee Bertocci, Barbara Cohen, Paula Turner, Checkers; Elaine Laughton, Helen Nelson, Marie Bagley, Sandra White, Mary Thayer, Audrey Johnson, Eleanor Coelho, Bernice Breer, Kristin Cogswell, Anne Garvey, JoAnn Sillars, Annette Bean, Counters & Observers; Ann Long, Anna Brown, Total Tally.

PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

| | |
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| Bush and Quayle | 2377 |
| Dukakis and Bentsen | 1111 |
| Fulani and Dattner | 11 |
| Paul and Marrou | 43 |
| Blanks | 66 |

SENATOR IN CONGRESS

| | |
|-------------------|------|
| Edward M. Kennedy | 1780 |
| Joseph D. Malone | 1715 |
| Mary Fridley | 18 |
| Freda Lee Nason | 21 |
| Blanks | 74 |

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

| | |
|---------------------|------|
| Brian J. Donnelly | 2115 |
| Michael C. Gilleran | 1303 |
| Blanks | 190 |

COUNCILLOR

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| Rosemary Tierney | 1753 |
| Mary V. Husband | 1475 |
| Blanks | 380 |

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT

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| Edward P. Kirby | 2556 |
| Theodore Bosen | 793 |
| Blanks | 259 |

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

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| Edward S. "Ted" Burgess | 2528 |
| Blanks | 1079 |

CLERK OF COURTS

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| Francis R. Powers | 2496 |
| Blanks | 1112 |

REGISTER OF DEEDS

John D. Riordan 2481
Blanks 1127

COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Matthew C. Striggles, Sr. 2313
Richard P. Bowen 896
Patricia A. Lawton 1694
Blanks 2313

REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Francis J. Cinelli, Jr. 1476
Thomas W. Devine 2028
Robert A. Girardin 1341
James J. Leonard 1326
Charles W. McDonald 1511
David S. Mochi 1042
Blanks 9316

QUESTION #1

Yes 354
No 3172
Blanks 82

QUESTION #2

Yes 1593
No 1960
Blanks 55

QUESTION #3

Yes 578
No 2956
Blanks 74

QUESTION #4

Yes 969
No 2555
Blanks 84

QUESTION #5

Yes 977
No 2157
Blanks 474

A true copy,
ATTEST:
Marion L. Leonard
Town Clerk

Births Recorded in 1988

January

21 Ashleigh Melissa Ammons

Michael Lee Ammons &

Debra Ann Fratus

16 Scott Joseph Cowan

Paul Joseph Cowan &

Sherry Lynn Lemmo

February

1 Matthew Aubrey Pepin

Michael Aubrey Pepin &

Michele Anne Croteau

2 Jessica Lynn Hoyt

James Warren Hoyt &

Charlene Ann Gustin

2 Evan Eammon Englehart

Robert Girard Englehart &

Elizabeth Gloria Stasio

5 Mellissa Sue Huff

James Neval Huff &

Susan Elaine Morgan

8 Shawn Edward Buckley

David Alan Buckley &

Sandra Gale Baker

22 Brittany Jade Arnone

Peter Joseph Arnone &

Catherine Ann Cerce

March

8 Steven Mark Roache

Mark Steven Roache &

Linda Marie Botto

9 Kerri Lynne White

William Michael White &

Lori Kim Weingard

10 James Eugene Daugherty III

James Eugene Daugherty Jr. &

Evelyn Elizabeth Avallon

April

5 Megan Rosamond Norton

Robert Everett Norton &

Suzanne Louise Menton

10 Justin Elliot Richards

Jonathan Eric Richards &

Martha Gwen Zollo

13 Samantha Lauren Berg

Christian David Berg &

Sophie Jeanne Tzvetinovitch

14 Matthew Leonard Shubert

Robert Noel Shubert &

Debbie Grace Alden

17 Christopher James Sedman

David Fritz Sedman &

Deborah Ann Souza

23 Stacey Amanda Heath

Richard DeSales Heath &

Annette Marie VanderStaa

26 Norman Carey Everett

Paul Scott Everett &

Patricia Carey Carey

May

5 Robyn Lynn Russell

Richard James Russell, Jr. &

Carol Ann Ware

5 Zachary Paul Wood

Robert Jonathan Wood &

Denise Margaret Dempsey

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| 15 | Ryan Stuart Keith | Gary Stuart Keith & Candice Susan Christensen |
| 26 | Katreena Mary Hashem | Raymond Hashem & Sheila May Taylor |
| 29 | Courtney Joy MacKinnon | William Levis MacKinnon, Jr. & Barbara-Ann McRae |
| 29 | Nicholas Alan Hayward | Bruce Alan Hayward & Ann Marie Guillemette |

June

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| 9 | Daniel Timothy Bailey | Timothy John Bailey & Linda Jean Coonan |
| 14 | Lindsay Ann Medeiros | John Joseph Medeiros & Lisa Marie Ayers |
| 21 | Michael Lee Charron | Robert Joseph Charron & Barbara Ann Griffin |
| 24 | Danielle Jacqueline Spencer | Perry Lee Spencer & Cheryl Lynn Fitzpatrick |
| 25 | Sarah Jane Blair | Jonathan Henry Blair & Gertraud Lewandowski |
| 30 | Michael Francis Cadigan | Michael John Cadigan & Cynthia Gail Rubino |

July

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| 1 | Adam Warren Turner | Peter Warren Turner & Katherine McMullan |
| 3 | Katherine Elizabeth Grant | Peter Edson Grant & Kathleen Mary Mesney |
| 6 | Anthony Saverio Aprea | John Joseph Aprea, Jr. & Donna Catherine Caivano |
| 6 | Christopher James Henderson | James Howard Henderson & Patricia Callahan |
| 8 | Sarah Serena Parker | Kevin Adams Parker & Patricia Joanne Holcomb |
| 9 | Katelyn Marie Keith | Howard Roger Keith & Joanne Marie O'Connor |
| 22 | Jeffrey David Golder | Paul Turner Golder & Janice Elaine Hatch |
| 27 | Jonathan David York | Gregory allan York & Nancy Elaine Perry |
| 31 | Vincent Joseph Robert Foscaldi | Robert Michael Foscaldi & Mary Frances Monsini |

August

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| 3 | Jacqueline Lee Pomroy | Richard Warren Pomroy & Mary Lee Taylor |
| 15 | Laura Katherine Patenaude | Edward Henry Patenaude, Jr. & Nancy Ruth Anderson |
| 18 | Matthew James Tamulionis | Peter Tamulionis & Deborah Ann Conrad |

September

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| 2 | Megan Lee Hunt | Leonard Thomas Hunt & Margaret Ann Waterman |
| 3 | Nathan Ambrose Clergy | James Ambrose Clergy & Jody Anne Savill |
| 6 | Brittany Anne Ross | David Laine Ross & Kathleen Anne Hazlett |
| 6 | Michael Thomas Walcott | Thomas Daniel Walcott & Andrea Jean Nelson |
| 17 | Jeremy David Hammond | Allan Wayne Hammond & Barbara Louise Lewis |
| 22 | Jessica Yan Yan Chan | Siemens Lap Bun Chan & Suzanna Chin-Chin Yu |
| 25 | Benjamin Edward Gomes | Donald Alfred Gomes, Jr. & Christine Anne Jones |

October

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| 4 | Megan Alexandra Vayo | Rick Alan Vayo & Linda Jean Desmond |
| 13 | Kellie Ann Burley | Mark Kevin Burley & Susan Irene Conerford |
| 16 | Korrin Emmaline Fernald | Joseph Patrick Fernald & Therese-Marie Keough |
| 21 | Eric Robert Wells | David Francis Xavier Wells & Cynthia Jeanne Carnes |
| 24 | Brian Earl Gummow | David Paul Gummow & Patricia Ann Augenti |
| 25 | Chuck War Fung | Hak Yung Fung & Dak Chun Chou |
| 25 | Timothy Robert Murray | Robert Alan Murray & Nancy Elizabeth Norton |

November

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| 4 | William Joseph Richman, Jr. | William Joseph Richman, Sr. & Deborah Ann Tevenan |
| 5 | Nicole Marie Olson | Guy Donald Olson & Susan Frances Delraso |
| 8 | Jonathan Brooks Cranshaw | John Edward Cranshaw & Kathleen Marie Ferranti |
| 23 | Robert John Connolly | Robert Edward Connolly & Janet Lorraine Whitman |
| 29 | Robert Joseph Lavoie | Robert Joseph Lavoie & Judy Marie Yoder |
| 30 | Eric Michael Cameron | Joseph Patrick Cameron & Robyn Ann DeBona |

December

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| 2 | Stephen James Lang | James Calvin Lang II & Deborah W. Wayne |
| 6 | Sean Michael Gurley | Frederick Gurley, Jr. & Karen Ann Messia |

- 12 Michael Robert O'Connell
- 13 Craig Richard Thomas
- 22 Steven William Tartaglia
- 23 Mary Ellen Mazzoli
- 30 Andrew Charles Carrico

- Joseph Dennis O'Connell &
Lynda Marie Murphy
- Richard Craig Thomas &
Lynne Anne Richardson
- Charles Tartaglia &
Mary Lynne Milbury
- Paul Vincent Mazzoli &
Gail Louise Hammond
- Paul Matthew Carrico &
Suzanne Gene Lopes

Births — Late Reporting

December - 1987

- 11 Jarred Nicholas Brother Matthew Harris Brother &
Mary Anne Georgaxopoulos
- 26 Owen Zachary Orsini William Roger Orsini &
Kathleen O'Brien

Marriages Recorded in 1988

January

- 9 Curtis E. Vardaro of West Bridgewater and Susan J. Carlson of West Bridgewater at Brockton

February

- 13 Eugene Hardy, Jr. of Taunton and Elin Anderson of Taunton at Brockton
- 14 Daniel T. Rose of Stoughton and Lisa A. Pistone of West Bridgewater at Stoughton

March

- 2 Richard F. Ellsworth of West Bridgewater and Pamela Wyman of Rockland at Abington
- 12 Dale E. Hatfield of East Bridgewater and Kathleen M. Violandi of East Bridgewater at North Quincy
- 20 W. Kevin Johnson of West Bridgewater and Ann Mary Savignano of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 23 Marcel Kalonji of Easton and Lucia Jean Charles of Easton at Brockton
- 26 Daniel M. Conrad of Brockton and Elizabeth S. Gallagher of West Bridgewater at Brockton

April

- 9 Mickey R Averill of Bridgewater and Christine M. Moore of Bridgewater at Pembroke
- 16 Richard J. Murphy, Jr. of So. Easton and Dianne C. Rich of West Bridgewater at Taunton
- 23 Antonio Siracusa of Brockton and Laura M. Cadigan of West Bridgewater at Revere
- 23 Mark S. Hathaway of New Market, MD and Elizabeth A. Legge of West Bridgewater at Brockton
- 30 Francis Christopher Deibel, Jr. of West Bridgewater and Denice Freeman of West Bridgewater at East Bridgewater
- 30 Richard J. Russell, Jr. of Brockton and Carol Ann Ware of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater

May

- 1 Roy Stork of Bridgewater and Debra Anne Hall of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 14 Thomas Brent Childs of West Bridgewater and Heidi Lee Smith of West Bridgewater at Barnstable
- 21 Willard S. Jorritsma, Jr. of West Bridgewater and Lynne M. Chandler of Brockton at Brockton
- 21 Michael J. Silvia of West Bridgewater and Susan Catherine Taro of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater

June

- 4 Wayne Edward Simmons of West Bridgewater and Karen Louise Clark of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 11 Leon R. Safford of West Bridgewater and Donna J. Inman of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 18 Kevin J. Kelley of East Bridgewater and Colleen M. McMahon of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 18 Robert McDougal of West Bridgewater and Susan L. Mignault of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 25 Dararon Khiev of Attleboro and Khorn K. Nelson of West Bridgewater at Attleboro
- 25 John L. Orlando of West Bridgewater and Mary Preston of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater

July

- 1 James J. Nelson of Bridgewater and Joanne M. O'Keefe of Bridgewater at East Bridgewater
- 2 Peter M. Long of Brossard Que, Canada and Tracy A. Paquette of West Bridgewater at Brockton
- 9 Robert L. Chipoli of West Bridgewater and Karen M. Oakhem of West Bridgewater at Brockton
- 9 Peter Alan Collins of Bridgewater and Linda Mary Colandrea of West Bridgewater at Brockton
- 16 Patrick W. Baker of West Bridgewater and Margaret C. Cabral of West Bridgewater at Abington
- 17 Joel David Melka of Lakeville and Dawn Amerigian of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 23 Brian Ray Andrea of East Bridgewater and Mary Leigh Jennette of East Bridgewater at East Bridgewater
- 30 Paul E. Watson of East Bridgewater and Mary K. Lee of West Bridgewater at Bridgewater
- 30 Scott Anthony Demolles of West Bridgewater and Deborah Ann Jaruse of West Bridgewater at Brockton

August

- 6 Timothy S. Greene of North Easton and Allyson Jones of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 13 Paul Nota, Jr. of Brockton and Sonja Jeanne Newman of West Bridgewater at Brockton
- 13 Leonard A. Johnson, Jr. of West Bridgewater and Pamela J. O'Connor of West Bridgewater at Hanover
- 20 Paul Anthony Capachione of South Easton and Pamela Lynn Duquette of South Easton at West Bridgewater

- 27 Anthony Macrina of Brockton and Robin Lynn Willis of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 27 John C. Holland of Brockton and Deborah L. Cogswell of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater

September

- 3 Robert L. Grippen of West Bridgewater and Marguerite Feroli of East Bridgewater at Brockton
- 3 Frederick Howell, Jr. of Abington and Karen Bosworth of Brockton at Brockton
- 10 G. Dennis Collins of Raynham and Lynne Catrambone of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 17 Emanuel Cambra III of Monroe, CT and Holly McCarthy of Danbury, CT at West Bridgewater
- 24 Glen A. Braden, Jr. of Raynham and Bernadette A. Dufour of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater

October

- 1 Andrew N. Pike of West Bridgewater and Elizabeth H. Howard of Brockton at West Bridgewater
- 8 Robert Russell Harrington of Brockton and Paula Jean Turner of Brockton at West Bridgewater
- 8 Henry C. Bradfore III of West Bridgewater and Nora M. Torres of West Bridgewater at East Bridgewater
- 9 James A. St. Pierre of Norton and Stacy L. Nowlin of West Bridgewater at East Bridgewater
- 22 Kenneth Auffrey of West Bridgewater and Margaret E. Wood of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 22 Michael Courtemanche of Brockton and Marybeth Cruz of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 29 Joseph Alan Wright of West Bridgewater and Lisa Jeanne MacLellan of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater

November

- 4 Mark Thomas Robertson of Bridgewater and Brenda Ardel Rowe of Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 5 Erik Joseph Carveth of West Bridgewater and Dawn Renee Maynard of West Bridgewater at North Easton
- 12 Robert F. Alberti, Jr. of Plympton and Tracey J. Stella of Halifax at Halifax
- 13 Kevin P. Vitale of West Bridgewater and Laurie A. Caspariello of West Bridgewater at Cambridge
- 13 Thomas Bagas of West Bridgewater and Ann Marie Halle of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 19 Kevin . Lacina of Bourne and Leah Mildred Bailey of Bourne at Bourne (Sagamore)
- 19 Leo C. McElroy of West Bridgewater and Janet R. McElroy of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater

December

- 3 Michael J. Joyce of West Bridgewater and Lisa Johnson of West Bridgewater at Harwich
- 9 Gordon L. Slocum of Halifax and Maureen E. Silvirea of Bridgewater at East Bridgewater

- 10 Mark Edward Dupuy of West Bridgewater and Sheila Marie Ryan of Pembroke at Bridgewater
- 11 Robert Mendoza of West Bridgewater and Lynne M. McDonald of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 17 John George Lea, Jr. of West Bridgewater and Maura Ann Donovan of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater
- 17 Donald E. Jenness, Sr. of West Bridgewater and Sandra M. Lamoreaux of West Bridgewater at West Bridgewater

Deaths Recorded in 1988

January

- | | | |
|-------------------------|--|---|
| 6 Julia Marion DeMolles | | 77 Arteriosclerotic Cerebrovascular Disease |
| 7 Mary Fozzy | | 88 Cardiac Arrest |
| 19 Shirley Child | | 62 Metastatic Ovarian Cancer |

February

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| 5 Donald A. Fisher | | 70 Metastatic Prostatic Carcinoma |
| 10 Paul Noonan Crimmins | | 87 Cardiopulmonary Arrest |
| 12 Arthur Nelson | | 77 Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease |
| 13 Daphne Whitney | | 68 Respiratory Failure |
| 23 Irene Chaplin aka Browne Parker | | 86 Hypertensive Cardiovascular |
| 29 Ida Brazil | | 71 Cardiorespiratory Arrest |

March

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| 6 Harvey Allen Scranton, Sr. | | 94 Biliary Tract Obstruction |
| 12 James Thomas, Jr. | | 59 Myocardial Ischemia |
| 13 Eula McGlaston | | 76 Lactic Acidosis |
| 13 Corina Lucini | | 90 Atrial Fibrillation |
| 27 Ellen T. Coan | | 77 Pneumonia |

April

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| 1 Everett H. Sundberg | | 85 Congestive Heart Failure |
| 2 Robert Hermanson | | 84 Acute Myocardial Infarction |
| 4 Roland Morgan Gustin | | 78 Metastatic Lung Carcinoma |
| 6 Wendall W. Weatherby | | 62 Arteriosclerosis Heart Disease |
| 7 Kenneth Francis Golder | | 75 Malignant Lymphoma |
| 9 Jay Patrick Spaulding | | 25 Cervical Fracture (struck by auto) |
| 20 Dorothy Cabana | | 78 Coronary Artery Disease |
| 22 Maude Irma Gummow | | 84 Cardiac Arrest |
| 25 Eva Satkevich | | 66 Pneumonia |

May

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| 2 Henry Thomas Ford | | 81 Coronary Heart Disease |
| 11 Tobias Cabral Chixarro | | 44 Fracture of Cervical Vertebra (auto accident) |
| 15 Hortense A. Chapman | | 102 Congestive Heart Failure |
| 16 Ruth Nelson | | 85 Cardiac & Pulmonary Complications |
| 22 Nils Berglund | | 92 Metastatic Melanoma |
| 28 Alphonse Pilla | | 78 Congestive Heart Failure |
| 28 Gretchen Sprague | | 83 Pneumonia |

June

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| 16 | Helen ReHill | 64 | Respiratory Arrest |
| 17 | Kenneth R. Guillemette | 48 | Cardiac Arrest |
| 19 | Lester Jacob Golder, Jr. | 73 | Coronary Artery Disease |
| 19 | Hilda Piver | 89 | Cardiac Arrest |
| 23 | Robert Francis Maker | 45 | Cirrhosis of Liver |

July

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| 11 | Walter Ernest Holyoke, Sr. | 77 | Laennec's Cirrhosis/Erythropity |
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August

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| 2 | Edwin L. Carveth | 62 | Cardiac Arrest |
| 10 | Virginia Robertson | 67 | Cardia Arrythmia |
| 13 | Robert Henry Bisemore | 72 | Pneumonia |
| 29 | Myrtle Wallingford Crealesse | 82 | Respiratory Arrest |

September

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| 10 | Albert S. Clapp, Jr. | 54 | Metastatic Lung Cancer |
| 21 | Frank Miller | 75 | Hemachromatosis |
| 24 | Kathryn Onulak | 94 | Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease |

October

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| 8 | Reinhard Kreuzburg | 57 | Carcinoma of Lung |
| 9 | Alexander Wilton Benvie | 67 | Cardiac Arrest |
| 14 | Henry Justin Pomeroy, Jr. | 67 | Heart Disease |
| 21 | Jeannette Margaret Rolfe | 57 | Peritonitis |
| 25 | Richard Penny | 78 | Broncho Pneumonia |

November

| | | | |
|----|----------------------|----|-------------------|
| 4 | Christine Hill | 66 | Cardiac Asystolie |
| 10 | Beatrice Robbins | 67 | Cardiac Arrest |
| 15 | Lance Richard Ohlson | 59 | Renal Carcinoma |

December

| | | | |
|----|------------------------|----|-------------------------------------|
| 2 | Alice Estelle Ganley | 91 | Hypertensive Cardiovascular Disease |
| 8 | Eula Pratt | 95 | Congestive Heart Failure |
| 10 | Sebastian J. Teruso | 72 | Metastatic Pancreas Carcinoma |
| 26 | Frederick Edward Soell | 81 | Respiratory Failure |

Miscellaneous Licenses Issued

Following monies received in Town Clerk's Office and paid to the Treasurer:

| | |
|------------------|------------------|
| Miscellaneous | 60,972.78 |
| Dog Licenses | 4,075.00 |
| Fish & Game Fees | 116.35 |
| Total | <u>65,164.13</u> |

Fish and Game Licenses Paid to Division of Fish and Wildlife 3,162.00

A True Copy,
Attest: Marion L. Leonard
Town Clerk

REPORT OF THE AUDITOR

We have examined the financial statements of the various funds and account groups of the Town of West Bridgewater for the year ended June 30, 1988, listed in the table of contents. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

Pension costs are provided on a pay as you go basis, as discussed in Note 5 rather than on an actuarial basis as required by generally accepted accounting principles. The cost relative to the actuarial method has not been determined at this time.

A record of fixed assets is not maintained by the Town, accordingly a statement of fixed assets, as required by generally accepted accounting principles, is not included in the financial statements.

In our opinion, subject to the foregoing exceptions, the aforementioned financial statements present fairly the financial position of the various funds and account groups of the Town of West Bridgewater at June 30, 1988, and the results of operations of such funds and the changes in financial position for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

The accompanying supplemental schedules and related information presented on pages 21 to 39 are not necessary for a fair presentation of the financial statements, but are presented as additional analytical data. This information has been subject to the tests and other auditing procedures as set forth above and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Anthony V. Sulmonte
Certified Public Accountant

AUDITOR'S REPORT ON ADEQUACY OF INTERNAL CONTROL SYSTEM

We have examined the financial statements of the Town of West Bridgewater for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1988, and have issued our report thereon dated October 25, 1988. As part of our examination, we made a study and evaluation of the system of internal accounting control of the Town of West Bridgewater to the extent we considered necessary to evaluate the system in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and standards for financial and compliance audits contained in the U.S. General Accounting Office Standards for Audit and Governmental Organizations, Programs, Activities and Functions. For the purpose of this report, we have classified the significant internal accounting controls in the following categories:

| | |
|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Cash Receipts and Cash Payments | Appropriations |
| Investments | Debt |
| Accounts Receivable | General Ledger |
| Billing and Abatements | Fund Balances |

Our study and evaluation included all of the control categories listed above. The purpose of our study and evaluation was to determine the nature, timing, and extent of the auditing procedures necessary for expressing an opinion on the entity's financial statements. Our study and evaluation was more limited than would be necessary to express an opinion on the system of internal accounting control taken as a whole or on any of the categories of controls identified above.

The management of the Town of West Bridgewater is responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal accounting control. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of control procedures. The objectives of a system are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that (1) assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and (2) that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Because of inherent limitations in any system of internal accounting control, errors or irregularities may nevertheless occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of the system to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the degree of compliance with the procedures may deteriorate. Our study and evaluation conducted for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph would not necessarily disclose all material weaknesses in the system. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the system of internal accounting control of the Town of West Bridgewater taken as a whole or on any of the categories of control identified in the first paragraph. However, our study and evaluation disclosed no condition that we believed to be a material weakness.

The report is intended solely for the use of management. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of this report, which is a matter of public record.

Very truly yours,
Anthony V. Sulmonte

AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS

We have examined the general purpose financial statements of the Town of West Bridgewater, Massachusetts for the year ended June 30, 1988 and have issued our report thereon, which was qualified in several respects, dated October 25, 1988. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards; and the standards for financial and compliance audits contained in the Standards for Audit of Governmental Organizations, Programs, Activities and Functions, issued by the U.S. General Accounting Office and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

The management of the Town of West Bridgewater, Massachusetts is responsible for the Town's compliance with laws and regulations. In connection with the examination referred to above, we selected and tested transactions and records to determine the Town's compliance with laws and regulations noncompliance with which could have a material effect on the general purpose financial statements of the Town.

The results of our tests indicate that for the items tested, the Town of West Bridgewater, Massachusetts, complied with those provisions of laws and regulations, noncompliance with which, could have a material effect on the general purpose financial statements. Nothing came to our attention that caused us to believe that for the items not tested the Town of West Bridgewater, Massachusetts was not in compliance with laws or regulations noncompliance with which could have a material effect on the Town's general purpose financial statements.

Anthony V. Sulmonte

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Total Appropriations for 12 Month Fiscal Year Since Tax Rate Was Fixed

| | |
|--|-----------------------|
| Local Expenditures | \$9,003,265.85 |
| State and County Charges | 74,522.00 |
| Overlay..... | 70,164.19 |
| Other Amounts To Be Raised | 58,897.81 |
| GROSS AMOUNT TO BE RAISED | \$9,206,849.85 |

| | |
|---|-----------------------|
| Total Estimated Receipts From State | \$2,301,303.00 |
| Prior Year Overestimates — State and County | 2.00 |
| Local Estimated Receipts | 1,442,718.00 |
| Free Cash..... | 250,337.89 |
| Other Available Funds | 150,949.17 |
| Revenue Sharing | 0 |
| Free Cash to Reduce Tax Rate | 0 |
| TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS | \$4,145,310.06 |

NEW AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION ON PROPERTY \$5,061,539.79

Assessed Value of Real Estate:

| | |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Land and Buildings | \$430,756,700.00 |
| Personal Property | 11,350,600.00 |
| | \$442,107,300.00 |

TAX RATE PER THOUSAND:

| | |
|---|---------|
| Residential/Open Space | \$10.04 |
| Commercial/Industrial/Personal Property | \$14.31 |

| | R/O | CIP | |
|---------|----------------|----------------|-------------|
| School | 5.62 | 8.01 | 56% |
| General | <u>4.42</u> | <u>6.30</u> | <u>44%</u> |
| | \$10.04 | \$14.31 | 100% |

EXEMPT PROPERTY

| | |
|--|---------------------|
| West Bridgewater Housing Authority | \$2,501,200 |
| Samoset Rod & Gun Club | 306,300 |
| Old Bridgewater Historical Society | 263,800 |
| Water Department | 2,679,200 |
| BAARC Facilities Inc. | 190,500 |
| Berwick Boys Foundation | 413,700 |
| H. Meredith Berry Trust | 598,000 |
| Town Hall Offices and Forestry Garage | 454,200 |
| Transfer Station | 172,800 |
| Fire and Police Station | 1,056,300 |
| Park Department | 193,800 |
| Privately Owned Cemeteries | 907,400 |
| Church Societies | 7,088,700 |
| Highway Garage..... | 437,700 |
| Town Owned Cemeteries | 179,800 |
| School Department and Library | 16,959,000 |
| Conservation Commission 261.36 | 1,012,300 |
| All Other Town Owned Land 113.38 | 289,600 |
| Commonwealth of Mass. — Div. of Fishery & Wildlife | 4,007,900 |
| Commonwealth of Mass. Land 241.67 | <u>891,500</u> |
| | \$39,712,500 |

The Following Abatements and Exemptions Were Granted For Fiscal Year 1989:

| <u>CLAUSE</u> | <u>NUMBER</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| 17D Surviving Spouse | 16 | \$ 1,300.00 |
| 18 Financial Hardship | 3 | 3,709.78 |
| 22 Veterans | 63 | 11,025.00 |
| 22A Veterans | 3 | 1,050.00 |
| 22E Veterans | 2 | 1,050.00 |
| 22 Veterans — Paraplegics | 2 | 3,294.63 |
| 41A Deferred Tax | 5 | 3,435.65 |
| 41C Elderly | 53 | 26,500.00 |
| 37A Blind | 3 | 1,500.00 |
| Overvaluation — Real Estate | 7 | 2,096.67 |
| Overvaluation — Personal Property | 0 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 157 | \$54,961.73 |

CHAPTER 61 FOREST MANAGEMENT 55.37 acres, 3 parcels
 Credit in Assessed Valuation \$325,300.00
 Total Loss in Taxes 3,266.01

CHAPTER 61A AGRICULTURAL & HORTICULTURAL 1,940.54 acres, 137 parcels
 Credit in Assessed Valuation \$12,822,100.00
 Total Loss in Taxes 128,733.88

CHAPTER 61B RECREATIONAL LAND 51.63 acres, 1 parcel
 Credit in Assessed Valuation \$193,500.00
 Total Loss in Taxes 1,942.74

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the residents of the Town of West Bridgewater, we, the members of the Board of Assessors, submit our annual report for the year 1988:

The Board of Assessors met again this year with the Selectmen and recommended a split tax rate of \$10.04 Residential and Open Space and \$14.31 Commercial, Industrial and Personal Property. Several property owners were present, representing both business and residential owners. The Board of Selectmen unanimously approved the Assessors recommendation of a split tax rate.

The Assessors will again use the services of Appraisal Consultants of New England to work on the new building permits (Residential, Commercial and Industrial).

This year's building permits reflected a few new residential starts along with some major Industrial and Commercial building. Our Industrial area continues to attract attention.

The Board has hired a new Head Clerk. Vera Jackson has replaced our former Assistant Assessor Donna Barakauskas. Mrs. Jackson has several years experience working in the Assessors Office in Randolph.

We wish to express our thanks to the townspeople and the various departments for their support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,
West Bridgewater Board of Assessors
 Gary A. Boyd, *Chairman*
 Desales Heath, *Clerk*
 Irving Puffer, *Member*

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Treasurer respectfully submits her annual report for Fiscal 1988.

Borrowing was necessary this fiscal year due to the delay in mailing out the Tax bills. The amount borrowed was \$800,000.00 costing the Town \$7,232.22 in interest.

The Town through Investments during the 1988 Fiscal year earned \$103,029.78.

I wish to thank the Townspeople and the various municipal departments for their support.

| TRUST FUNDS | Bal as of | Interest | Funds | Bal as of |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|---------------|-------------------|------------------|
| | 6/30/87 | earned | expended | 6/30/88 |
| Cemeteries | 6/30/87 | earned | expended | 6/30/88 |
| Pleasant Hill | 4,944.54 | 252.85 | 294.54 | 4,902.85 |
| Pine Hill | 3,557.16 | 183.28 | 180.95 | 3,559.49 |
| Town Cemeteries | <u>9,123.00</u> | <u>513.30</u> | <u> </u> | <u>9,636.30</u> |
| | 17,624.70 | 949.43 | 475.49 | 18,098.64 |
| | | | | |
| LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS | | | | |
| #1 | <u>16,358.14</u> | <u>882.35</u> | | <u>17,240.49</u> |
| #2 | 7,864.77 | 424.17 | | 8,288.94 |
| #3 | 16,365.15 | 882.62 | | 17,247.77 |
| | 40,588.06 | 2,189.14 | | 42,777.20 |
| | | | | |
| CURTIS LIBRARY FUND | | | | |
| | 9,020.48 | 534.02 | | 9,544.50 |
| | | | | |
| W.J. & A.C. HOWARD SCHOLARSHIP FUND | | | | |
| | 5,565.04 | 288.34 | 250.00 | 5,603.98 |
| | | | | |
| DRURY BELL FUND | | | | |
| General Fund | 523.78 | 28.26 | | 552.04 |
| Scholarship | 177.82 | 9.97 | | 187.89 |
| | | | | |
| STABILIZATION FUND | | | | |
| | 44,213.47 | 2,724.85 | | 46,938.32 |
| | | | deposit | <u>50,000.00</u> |
| | | | | 96,938.32 |

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth L. Zamaitis
Treasurer-Collector

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The following is a complete report of Turn - Ins by my office to the Town of West Bridgewater for the 9 month period between April and December 1988. The total amount turned over to the Collector's Department was \$91,233.71. This figure exceeds the committed taxes by \$13,970.86. The \$13,970.86 represents interest of \$7,646.86 and demands of \$6,324.00.

Additionally, this office has made all the necessary Suspension Complaints to the Registry of Motor Vehicles for all 1987 outstanding warrants as well as instituting a monthly schedule of License Hearings with the Brockton Registry of Motor Vehicles.

This has been accomplished at no cost to the Town of West Bridgewater. It is indeed a pleasure to submit to you this type of report.

Very truly yours,
John F. Hobin
Deputy Collector
Town of West Bridgewater

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES

I hereby submit the Tax Collector's Report for 1988:

| | Outstanding | Committed | Abated | Refunded | Collected | Tax Title | Balance |
|------------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|----------|--------------|-----------|--------------|
| 1984 Motor Vehicles | 11,372.73 | | 61.18 | | 2,460.09 | | 12,31-.88 |
| 1985 Motor Vehicles | 20,687.78 | | 223.02 | 146.17 | 6,376.95 | | 8,851.46 |
| 1986 Motor Vehicles | 32,282.35 | 618.63 | 1,181.05 | 482.69 | 18,324.79 | | 14,233.98 |
| 1987 Motor Vehicles | 43,586.14 | 85,263.64 | 10,512.27 | 4,036.27 | 101,457.69 | | 13,877.83 |
| 1988 Motor Vehicles | | 520,848.07 | 26,713.47 | 3,986.90 | 429,914.95 | | 20,916.09 |
| 1985 Personal Property | 1,381.46 | | | | | | 68,206.55 |
| 1986 Personal Property | 2,423.10 | | 1,009.01 | | 41.00 | | 1,381.46 |
| 1987 Personal Property | 4,165.51 | | | | 406.60 | | 1,373.09 |
| 1988 Personal Property | 54,892.00 | 137.50 | 504.64 | 39.45 | 50,086.24 | | 3,758.91 |
| 1989 Personal Property | | 162,427.09 | | | 76,834.40 | | 4,478.07 |
| Water | | | | | | | 85,592.69 |
| Water A | (9,064.63) | 423,354.89 | 18,946.38 | 804.84 | 342,307.17 | | 53,841.55 |
| 1986 Water Liens | 304.00 | | | | 22,620.00 | | |
| 1987 Water Liens | 3,222.40 | | | | | | 304.00 |
| 1988 Water Liens | 6,946.01 | | 1,420.78 | | | | 3,222.40 |
| 1986 Real Estate | 22,944.42 | | | | 1,531.04 | | 5,525.23 |
| 1987 Real Estate | 68,381.67 | | | | 24,981.37 | | 21,413.38 |
| 1988 Real Estate | 2,390,453.76 | 10,482.74 | 43,723.61 | 9,797.22 | 2,253,172.36 | | 43,400.30 |
| 1989 Real Estate | | 4,899,112.70 | | | 2,257,221.65 | | 113,837.75 |
| 1986 Boats | 38.00 | | | | | | 2,641,891.05 |
| 1987 Boats | 189.00 | | | | | | |
| 1988 Boats | | 987.00 | | | 494.00 | | 38.00 |
| | | | | | | | 189.00 |
| | | | | | | | 493.00 |

| | | |
|---------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Roll Back Tax | 32,799.89 | |
| Trailer Park Excise | 22,842.00 | |
| Interest Collected | 24,172.67 | |
| Charges Collected | 8,492.00 | |
| Collected After Abatement | 6.30 | 158.58 |
| | <u>6.30</u> | |
| | | \$5,676,543.16 |

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth L. Zamaitis
Treasurer-Collector

**Town of West Bridgewater
Balance Sheet
June 30, 1988**

| ASSETS | Governmental Fund | | Fiduciary Funds | | Account Group | | Total (Memorandum Only) |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|---------------|--|-------------------------------|
| | General | Special Revenue | Trust & Agency | General Long-Term Debt | | | |
| CASH | \$438,444 | | \$722 | | | | \$439,166 |
| CASH INVESTED | <u>1,102,525</u> | | <u>136,534</u> | | | | <u>1,239,059</u> |
| TOTAL | <u>1,540,969</u> | | <u>137,256</u> | | | | <u>1,678,225</u> |
| ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE (Schedule B) | | | | | | | |
| Real estate | 328,300 | | | | | | 328,300 |
| Tax titles | 40,834 | | | | | | 40,834 |
| Tax possessions | 13,336 | | | | | | 13,336 |
| Personal property | 13,305 | | | | | | 13,305 |
| Motor vehicle excise tax | 188,799 | | | | | | 188,799 |
| Boat and farm excise | 953 | | | | | | 953 |
| Water | 64,933 | | | | | | 64,933 |
| Miscellaneous | <u>8,222</u> | | | | | | <u>8,222</u> |
| TOTAL | 658,682 | | | | | | 658,682 |
| Less: provision for abatements | <u>73,289</u> | | | | | | <u>73,289</u> |
| TOTAL | <u>585,393</u> | | | | | | <u>585,393</u> |
| Due from bond issue | | | | | | | <u>352,000</u> |

Amounts to be provided for retirement of
general long-term debt obligations

| | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| TOTAL | <u>\$2,478,362</u> | | <u>\$137,256</u> | <u>1,605,000</u> | <u>1,605,000</u> |
| LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES | | | | | |
| LIABILITIES | | | | | |
| Accounts payable | \$238,113 | | | | \$238,113 |
| Accrued payroll | 196,612 | | | | |
| Payroll withholdings | | | 28,748 | | |
| Deferred revenue | 507,440 | | | | 507,440 |
| Notes in anticipation of Bond issue | 352,000 | | | | 352,000 |
| General obligation-bonds payable | ----- | | ----- | | 1,605,000 |
| Total Liabilities | <u>1,294,165</u> | | <u>28,748</u> | <u>1,605,000</u> | <u>1,605,000</u> |
| DUE TO/FROM OTHER FUNDS | <u>333,835</u> | <u>(255,087)</u> | <u>(78,748)</u> | | |
| FUND BALANCES | | | | | |
| Reserved for: | | | | | |
| Continuing appropriations | 520,242 | 255,087 | 11,109 | | 786,438 |
| Encumbrances | 42,041 | | | | 42,041 |
| Expenditures unprovided for | (14,524) | | | | (14,524) |
| Nonexpendable | | | 58,627 | | 58,627 |
| Unreserved: | | | | | |
| Undesignated-water | 8,786 | | | | 8,786 |
| Undesignated | <u>293,817</u> | | <u>117,520</u> | | <u>411,337</u> |
| Total Fund Balances | <u>850,362</u> | <u>255,087</u> | <u>187,256</u> | | <u>1,292,705</u> |
| TOTAL | <u>\$2,478,362</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$137,256</u> | <u>\$1,605,000</u> | <u>\$4,220,618</u> |

TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND
BALANCESBUDGET AND ACTUAL GENERAL FUND
(NON GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS)
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1988

| OVER | ACTUAL | BUDGET | (UNDER) |
|---|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Revenues: | | | |
| Taxes — property | \$4,424,730 | \$4,460,943 | (\$36,213) |
| Motor Vehicle Excise | 426,214 | 353,879 | 72,335 |
| Tax Titles | 10,461 | 19,442 | (8,981) |
| Enterprise — Water | | | |
| Intergovernmental | 2,381,554 | 2,310,456 | 71,098 |
| Local | 363,272 | 314,555 | 48,717 |
| Interest | 130,621 | 129,894 | 727 |
| TOTAL | <u>7,736,852</u> | <u>7,589,169</u> | <u>147,683</u> |
| Expenditures: | | | |
| General Government | 60,842 | 60,965 | (123) |
| Financial Administration | 1,033,465 | 895,067 | 138,398 |
| Public Safety | 1,330,341 | 1,339,143 | (8,802) |
| Education | 4,274,873 | 4,243,764 | 31,109 |
| Highways | 614,780 | 618,792 | (4,012) |
| Human Services | 85,678 | 81,052 | 4,626 |
| Culture and Recreation | 137,493 | 138,917 | (1,424) |
| Enterprise — Water | | | |
| Debt Service | 106,547 | 99,353 | 7,194 |
| Intergovernmental | 187,668 | 187,668 | 0 |
| Other | 201,619 | 215,203 | (13,584) |
| TOTAL | <u>8,033,306</u> | <u>7,879,924</u> | <u>153,382</u> |
| Excess Revenues over Expenditures | (296,454) | (290,755) | (5,699) |
| Expenditures taken from prior years unreserved funds | <u>290,755</u> | <u>290,755</u> | <u> </u> |
| Net increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance | <u>(\$5,699)</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>(\$5,699)</u> |

**Town of West Bridgewater
Trust Funds
Balance Sheets
June 30, 1988**

| | | | | | | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--|----------------------------|------------------|
| | Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds | Drury Bell Scholarship Fund | Stabilization Fund | Library Fund | W.J.&A.C. Howard Scholarship Fund | Revenue Sharing Fund | Total |
| ASSETS: | | | | | | | |
| Cash | \$18,099 | \$740 | \$46,938 | \$52,332 | \$5,604 | \$13,543 | \$137,256 |
| Due from other funds | | | <u>50,000</u> | | | | <u>50,000</u> |
| TOTAL ASSETS | <u>\$18,099</u> | <u>\$740</u> | <u>\$96,938</u> | <u>\$52,332</u> | <u>\$5,604</u> | <u>\$13,543</u> | <u>\$187,256</u> |
| | | | | | | | |
| LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES | | | | | | | |
| Reserved for Appropriations | | | | \$39,742 | | <u>\$11,109</u> | <u>\$11,109</u> |
| Fund Balances, Nonexpendable | \$13,685 | | | <u>12,590</u> | \$5,200 | 2,434 | \$58,627 |
| Fund Balances, Expendable | <u>4,414</u> | 740 | <u>96,938</u> | <u>52,332</u> | <u>404</u> | <u>2,434</u> | 117,520 |
| TOTAL FUND BALANCES | <u>18,099</u> | <u>740</u> | <u>96,938</u> | <u>52,332</u> | <u>5,604</u> | <u>2,434</u> | <u>176,147</u> |
| | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES | <u>\$18,099</u> | <u>\$740</u> | <u>\$96,938</u> | <u>\$52,332</u> | <u>\$5,604</u> | <u>\$13,543</u> | <u>\$187,256</u> |

REPORT OF THE TOWN COUNSEL

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The following is a report of the nature and status of the litigation in which the Town of West Bridgewater is involved as of the date of this report:

Francis M. Silvia, et al

v.

**Building Inspector of Town of West Bridgewater and
Town of West Bridgewater**

This action was initially brought by the plaintiffs in the Plymouth County Superior Court in August of 1982 against the Building Inspector of the Town and the Town itself to enjoin the Town from allegedly interfering with the plaintiffs' use of their land and to obtain damages for such alleged interference. The Town filed a counterclaim against the plaintiffs. In April 1984, the plaintiffs amended their complaint to add the following persons as additional defendants: Doris Haight, Michael Manugian, Charles H. Johnson and Charles A. Pickering, former Selectmen, Eldon F. Moreira, current Selectman, Ervin G. Lothrop, Chief of Police, and J. Joseph Lydon, former Town Counsel. The amended complaint seeks substantial damages against said defendants for alleged violations of the plaintiffs' civil rights. This matter is still pending in Court.

Lawrence W. Wardwell, et al

v.

Zoning Board of Appeals, et al

This is an appeal by the plaintiffs of a decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals granting a variance to the owners of the Canoe Club for the construction of a gazebo on its property. This case has not as yet come to trial.

Board of Selectmen

v.

Robert R. May and Doris G. May

In January 1985, the Board of Selectmen brought a complaint in the Plymouth County Superior Court to enjoin the defendants from conducting at their premises at 104 Turnpike Street any business involving the buying and selling of second hand motor vehicles, the buying of second hand motor vehicles for the purpose of remodeling, taking apart or rebuilding the same, the buying and selling parts of second hand motor vehicles and tires and assembling second hand motor vehicle parts, and from storing junk automobiles on said premises. On July 1, 1985, the Superior Court entered a judgment in favor of the Town ordering the defendants to refrain from using their premises at said 104 Turnpike Street for any use or purpose which violate the provisions of Chapter 140 of the Massachusetts General Laws concerning the buying and selling of second hand motor vehicles or parts thereof or the provisions of the Zoning By-Law of the Town. As the defendants have refused to comply with such order of the Court, the Board of Selectmen have brought a complaint for contempt against the defendants. This matter is still pending trial in the Plymouth County Superior Court.

v.

Zoning Board of Appeals

This is an appeal by the plaintiffs of a decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals granting a variance to Turner's Industrial Park Realty Trust from the provisions of the Zoning By-Laws which require that no building or structure in an Industrial District shall be erected or placed within forty (40) feet of a side line. This case is pending trial in the Plymouth County Superior Court.

Board of Health of Town of West Bridgewater

v.

**Thomas Donahue, Ralph J. Civitarese and Richard J. Civitarese, Trustees of
American Manufacture Home Trust**

In October 1987, the Board of Health brought a complaint in the Plymouth County Superior Court seeking to enjoin the defendants from any construction on Lots 46 and 47 at the Matfield Woods Mobile Home Park and from locating and installing any mobile homes on said lots without written authorization from the Board of Health and without the issuance of necessary building permits from the Building Inspector. A preliminary injunction granting the Board of Health's request was granted by the Court on November 5, 1987. This matter is still pending trial.

Building Inspector of Town of West Bridgewater

v.

Board of Appeals of Town of West Bridgewater

This is an action brought by the Building Inspector of the Town of West Bridgewater appealing the decision of the Board of Appeals of the Town of West Bridgewater which granted a variance from the lot area, lot frontage and lot setback requirements of the Zoning By-Laws. This case is now pending trial in the Plymouth County Superior Court.

Weston G. Bean, Jr.

v.

Robert D. Smith, Leon St. George and Ervin G. Lothrop

This is an action brought in the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts by the plaintiff in which he seeks damages against two police officers and the Chief of Police of the Town of West Bridgewater arising out of his arrest on December 13, 1986. This case is pending trial.

Lois Smith, Trustee

v.

Planning Board of West Bridgewater

This is an appeal by the plaintiff of a decision of the Planning Board denying the plaintiff's application for approval of a subdivision plan. This case is pending trial in the Plymouth County Superior Court.

Charles M. Mirrione, et al

v.

Zoning Board of Appeals

This is an appeal by the plaintiffs of a decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals denying the plaintiffs' application for a variance to permit the construction of an industrial building in a General Residential and Farming Zoning District. This case is pending trial in the Plymouth County Superior Court.

Paul E. Gureckis

v.

Zoning Board of Appeals

This is an appeal by the plaintiff of a decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals denying the plaintiff's application for a variance to permit the construction in a General Residential and Farming Zoning District of an 850 foot commercial TV-radio tower and a building to house transmission equipment. This case is pending trial in the Plymouth County Superior Court.

District Attorney William C. O'Malley

v.

Board of Selectmen

This is a complaint brought in the Plymouth County District Court by District Attorney William C. O'Malley in which he alleges that the Board of Selectmen violated the Open Meeting Law by not permitting Gerald Stetson and his attorney to be present during an executive session held by the Board to discuss the grievance filed by Mr. Stetson with respect to his discharge by the Chief of the Fire Department.

Respectfully submitted,
John P. Lee
Town Counsel

REPORT OF THE BY-LAW STUDY COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The By-Law Study Committee has been meeting regularly every second and fourth Wednesday in the year 1988.

During the past year, the Committee has been working closely with Thomas Planning Services, 128 Tremont Street, Boston, analyzing issues facing the Town, developing goals to address the issues, and identifying growth development options for the future of the Town. A five phase process has been implemented:

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| Phase I | — Reconnaissance |
| Phase II | — Land Use Objectives |
| Phase III | — Zoning Text Revision |
| Phase IV | — Zoning Map Revision |
| Phase V | — Other Land Use Regulations |

Phases I through IV will have been completed by March 22, 1989.

A public hearing addressing Phases I and II was held June 8, 1988. The Committee would like to express its appreciation to those in attendance. It is planned that a second public hearing be scheduled in April 1989 for the townspeople of West Bridgewater. This open meeting will address Phase III, Zoning Text Revisions and Phase IV, Zoning Map revisions.

A complete revision of the Town's By-Laws is a very lengthy and difficult process. We have been progressing steadily and will endeavor to present a By-Law package that will serve the Town well.

Respectfully submitted,
David W. Lacy, *Co-Chairman*
Richard McNahon, *Co-Chairman*
Claire M. Davock
John C. Eldridge
Marlene A. Howell
Karen A. Johnson
Neil R. Manzer
Paul J. Sheedy

REPORT OF THE COMPUTER STUDY COMMITTEE FOR 1988

In the spring of 1988 the Computer Study Committee voted unanimously to recommend the firm of "KVS Information Systems Inc." to be the prime contractor for the computerization of the Town Hall. The total recommended package was not to exceed the sum of \$89,000.00 and contained the following:

SOFTWARE:

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| General Ledger | Spreadsheet |
| Accounts Payable | Purchase Orders |
| Accounts Receivable | Budget Preparation |
| Word Processing | Town Clerk |
| System Accounting | Operating System |

HARDWARE:

D.G. MV/2000 Computer with 160 MB disk and 21 MB cartridge tape backup
(2) D411 Terminals
(3) D215 Terminals
(2) Okidata 293 printers
Dataproducts 300 LPM printer
Hewlett Packard Laserjet Printer
PC-AT Compatible, 20 MB disk, EGA monitor

On August 25, the Board of Selectmen signed a contract with "KVS" for the recommended package and within a few weeks the hardware began to arrive. Data General performed the necessary installation and initial training of personnel began.

Initial emphasis has been placed on getting the General Ledger up and running. Some delay has been experienced due to some minor software problems and training delays due to scheduling problems, both on the part of the vendor and the Town Hall. However, in consultation with KVS, it would appear that the Committee's goal to "have all we purchased up and running at a reasonable level of efficiency by July 1989" can still be realized.

The status of the Computer Study Committee is now "in limbo" until such time as funds become available to the Town to continue expansion of the system to include the Assessors office, the Building Inspector, and many other functions the computer is capable of servicing. At such time, we stand ready to recommend additional equipment and software to do the job.

Computer Study Committee
Warren E. Turner, *Chairman*
Marion Loughman
Fred Baker Jr.
Rochelle Liebowitz
Charles Pye

To the Citizens of West Bridgewater:

As reported by the Computer Study Committee, the Board of Selectmen entered into a contract with KVS to provide hardware and software to convert the financial records of the Town to an automated system.

Since the installation of the hardware in October, 1988, much progress has been made. The accounting system has been converted to the Uniform Municipal Accounting System (UMAS) in accordance with guidelines established by the Department of Revenue. All of this information has been inputted into the computer. The training and start-up have been extremely time consuming.

It is anticipated that all of the General Ledger, Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable, Town Clerk's records and Word Processing will be on-line and operational during the second quarter of calendar year 1989.

The company selected by the Computer Study Committee has been very satisfactory. The hardware is excellent. The training and access to information is more than adequate.

We would like to acknowledge the hard work of the Town Hall staff without whose efforts this task would have been impossible.

Doris Haight, *Administrative Assistant*
Arthur Cabral, *Town Accountant*

REPORT OF THE CABLE TELEVISION COMMITTEE

The Cable Television Committee held nine meetings in 1988, all open to the public. Each meeting was attended by a representative of Continental Cablevision of Southeastern Massachusetts, Inc.

During this past year, new stations were added to the service. The committee saw the regrettable loss of our first local programming director to a promotion; a successor was immediately appointed. The discount rate for service for senior citizens was again confirmed as being available to all seniors in the town. (For this purpose, "senior citizen" is defined as a head of household having a card from the Council on Aging.) The few service complaints that were brought to our attention were resolved within a reasonable time frame. Finally, the committee managed to acquire a new member, reducing our vacancies to just one.

The cable television local origination studio continued to conduct periodic classes, educating interested people in the use of the studio equipment. While the quantity of people enrolled in the classes has been disappointing, the quality and dedication of the "graduates" has been appreciated. They have sacrificed their own time and efforts to bring a variety of meetings and other town events into our living rooms. We hope that others interested in other activities will enroll and bring even more variety and public awareness to the townspeople. We also hope to establish some kind of internship with the school system, to make this educational opportunity available to the youth of the town.

The number of cable television subscribers in West Bridgewater as of December 31, 1988: 1538.

Richard Bagley, *Chairman*
Julio Miglierini, *Vice Chairman*
Peter Turner, *Clerk*
Herbert Billett
Donald Tarr

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of West Bridgewater, the West Bridgewater Conservation Commission wishes to submit their annual report.

In 1988, the Conservation Commission held 24 regular meetings and one special meeting to administer the Wetlands Protection Act, Chapter 131 Section 40 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

There were 15 notices of Intent filed with the Commission, 24 Public Hearings held, 15 new hearings with 9 continuances for further information. The Commission issued 14 Orders of Conditions. One was a denial and 4 were appealed to the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering, 2 by an abutter and 2 by the developer. The Department of Environmental Quality Engineering issued 1 superseding Order of Conditions, sent back 2 proposals to the Commission and vacated 1 of their own appeals.

Four Certificates of Compliance for finished projects were issued by the Commission this year, of the 5 requested, 1 request was denied.

Out of the proposals before the Commission in 1988, 6 were for large commercial/industrial projects, 2 were for large to medium sized housing subdivisions, and 5 were for single family houses or other small projects.

The commission received 6 requests for Determination of Applicability in 1988, and issued 4 positive Determinations and 2 negatives.

We worked very closely with the Building Committee of the West Bridgewater Public Library along with the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering to insure that there would be proper drainage and to insure that neighbors would not be flooded out and the environment not harmed.

Violations of the Wetlands Protection Act observed by the Commission members resulted in 8 Enforcement Orders issued in 1988. In most cases the observed violators either filed a Notice of Intent with the Commission or corrected their activity in accordance with their Order of Conditions. Further action was taken with one violator.

The number of site inspections this past year has greatly increased over previous years because of so much wetland being involved. The Commission members had to inspect sites approximately 6 to 10 times each month. Inspections must now be conducted with the owner's permission or with designated persons, especially on private property or from public property like a street, from a consenting neighbor's property or with a search warrant, or from the air, due to a recent court interpretation of the Wetlands Protection Act. The Commission's job will be much harder in the future.

There have been considerably more significant violations of the Wetlands Protection Act in West Bridgewater this past year. This town having so much wetland that comes under the Act, a lot of people do not realize the importance of preserving existing water flow. Most importantly large bodies that are being filled with unacceptable fill, which causes a potential for flooding out a neighbor's property, is strictly a violation. As a result, the Commission has requested assistance from other Departments in observing and stopping such violations.

Another result of increased violations of the Wetlands Protection Act has been the Commission's decision to promulgate a West Bridgewater Wetlands Protection Bylaw, to give the Commission the authority to charge fines to violators, to charge more realistic town fees for the work of the Commission, and to charge project developers for independent review of the more technical aspects of some complex projects. The existing Wetlands Protection Act is a powerful tool making sure that the water stays where it is suppose to to be. The West Bridgewater Conservation Commission feels it is not strong enough for some aspects of our work, hence a Bylaw for the Town of West Bridgewater will succeed in making sure that flooding of homes and property will not take place. We hope with such a Bylaw, we can regulate and discourage those who do violate the Act by disturbing a flood plain or property of others. The Commission hopes to see passage of the proposed Bylaw at our 1989 Town Meeting.

The West Bridgewater Conservation Commission looks forward to a closer, more cooperative working relationship with other town Boards in 1989.

In closing, the Conservation Commission wishes to thank the Board of Selectmen, Building Inspector, Planning Board, Board of Appeals, Board of Health, Highway Department and the Town Hall Staff and all who helped to make our work easier.

Respectfully submitted,
Howard M. Hayward, *Chairman*
Joseph Sousa, *Vice-Chairman*
Denise Cabral, *Clerk*
Linda Greene
Quentin Holmes

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

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| Meetings held | 22 |
| Public Hearing for new Town By-Laws | 1 |
| Public Hearings for new Subdivisions | 7 |
| Public Hearing for Rezoning | 1 |
| Applications for Subdivisions Denied | 3 |
| Later Revised and Approved | 2 |
| Reviewed Definitive Plans for Subdivision | 6 |
| Loam Removal Permit | 3 |
| Form A's..... | 5 |
| Recommendation to Board of Appeals | 9 |

REPORT OF THE OLD COLONY PLANNING COUNCIL

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of West Bridgewater:

As your representatives to the Old Colony Planning Council, we are pleased to present this report of the activities of the Council for 1988.

During the year, the Council moved into its new office quarters located in the historic Brockton Edison Electric Illuminating Power Station building, located at 70 School Street in Brockton, MA. The facility will serve as the permanent home of the Council and enable the Council to provide more efficient services to its member communities. An Open House was held in early September for local and state officials to mark the event and visitors are welcome to view the restored building.

The program activities of the Council in 1988 were again concentrated on three major areas: Community and Economic Development; Transportation and Transit Planning; and, Elder Services Planning as the Area Agency on Aging. Council funding during the year increased slightly over the 1987 level due largely to additional financial support from the State Department of Elder Affairs for administering the Nursing Home Ombudsman Program in the region. State budget difficulties this year resulted in the termination of Regional Planning Agency grant funds used by the Council to address issues of regional concern. The Council is hopeful that this source of funding will be restored in the FY 1990 budget.

Housing production in the Old Colony region slowed during the year, but several major commercial developments were proposed or advanced in 1988 demonstrating a healthy area economy. Prospects for 1989 appear optimistic since indications from an OCPC study completed during the year show that the area has been reasonably successful in attracting growth firms.

In 1988, the Council proposed a Memorandum of Agreement by and among the communities of the Old Colony Planning Council which would establish a regional review process for developments having a regional impact. The process would give communities the opportunity to comment on proposed developments in neighboring communities that they would be impacted by although they do not have jurisdiction in granting approval to the project. It would establish an advisory, non-binding review process to assist local decision-making authorities in the review of major development proposals. The proposal has been generally well received and the Council is requesting local approval through town meeting action in 1989.

Specific technical assistance to the Town in 1988 included:

- Bay Circuit Open Space Plan
- Route 106 Traffic Study
- West St. Axle Classification Survey
- Accident Data Reporting
- Traffic Counts
- Vehicle and Speed Classification Study
- Environmental Impact Reviews

In 1988, John J. DeMarco of Avon was elected as President of OCPC; Robert W. Smith of East Bridgewater was elected as Council Secretary; and James A. Kassos of Brockton was elected as Council Treasurer.

The Council gratefully acknowledges the generous support and cooperation of its member communities, the participation and involvement of members of the Joint Transportation Committee chaired by Mr. John Yaney; the Overall Economic Development Committee chaired by Mr. Joseph Joseph; and, the Area Agency on Aging Advisory Committee chaired by Ms. Barbara Farnsworth. The Council also recognizes the work of local boards and commissions and the many government agencies, public and private institutions and individuals who have assisted the Council.

Respectfully submitted,
Eldon F. Moreira, *Delegate*
Old Colony Planning Council

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS

During the year 1988 the Board of Appeals held ten (10) public hearings. These hearings dealt with the following:

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| Variance requests dealing with setbacks and square footage | 7 |
| Change of zoning requests | 2 |
| Sign variance request | 1 |

The following is a breakdown of the decisions made:

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| Variations or special permits granted | 7 |
| Variations denied | 2 |
| Variance requests withdrawn | 1 |

Respectfully submitted,
William E. Turner, Jr., *Chairman*
Henry Podolsky, *Vice Chairman*
Harry Ketler, *Member*
George Merritt, *Member*
James Wolfsberg, *Member*
William Lucini, *Alt. Member, Clerk*
Michael Feresten, *Alt. Member, Clerk*

REPORT OF THE MASSACHUSETTS INDUSTRIAL FINANCE AGENCY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of West Bridgewater:

Through the creation of MIFA (Massachusetts Industrial Finance Agency) as an issuer of tax exempt bonds 10 years ago, hundreds of small businesses in the Commonwealth have chosen to expand. Bear in mind that 80 percent of MIFA bonds were for less than \$1.5 million.

The Federal Tax Act of 1986 curtailed the availability of tax-exempt financing dramatically but the introduction of a taxable bond program using "bond pools" where several small businesses combine their borrowing needs to create the size necessary to attract investors interest has kept MIFA strong and viable.

The new taxable IDB program is explained in MIFA's 1988 Annual Report as follows:

"Taxable IDBs are available for a wide range of industrial and commercial capital expansions including manufacturing, warehouse and distribution, and research and development projects. Bond proceeds can be used for the acquisition, construction, or renovation of buildings and land, for the purchase of equipment, or for refinancing existing asset-based debt.

"While these bonds are subject to federal income taxes, they are exempt from the state income tax, are not subject to complex IRS restrictions placed on tax-exempt IDBs, and have no size restrictions."

Should any local business wish to learn more about the various MIFA-backed programs that are currently available, please contact your local board via the town office. We welcome your inquiries and hope to be able to assist you.

Respectfully submitted,
Madelyn T. Burke, *Chairman*
Donald L. MacIver
Joseph L. McMorro
Peter McPhail

REPORT OF THE MOBILE HOME RENT CONTROL BOARD

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Residents of West Bridgewater:

The members of the Rent Control Board are:

Leo H. Volta, Chairman
Patricia Cheromcka, Secretary
Charles Barros
Joseph Souza
Robert C. McKean, Jr.

Meetings were held approximately once per month at the Town Hall. A public hearing was held at the Spring St. School for owners of mobile homes, and America Mfg. Home Trust also known as Matfield Woods, for an adjustment in rent.

A decision was given by the Board on September 1, 1988.

Respectfully submitted,
Leo H. Volta
Chairman

REPORT OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Esther Drive Housing Project for the elderly has just completed its' sixteenth year of occupancy. At this time the authority has received a grant for 12 units of affordable family housing. These units will follow the usual occupancy preferences as required by the Executive Office of Communities and Development which for the most part means that West Bridgewater residents will have priority.

After two years of service Marion Leonard resigned as Executive Director effective officially on November 11, 1988. This resignation was accepted with regret but also wishing her well in her new position as Town Clerk.

This year also brought the year of new appliances — thru a Modernization grant from E.O.C.D. the authority was able to purchase each of our 48 units a new stove and new refrigerator.

Father Mansfield of St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church celebrates Mass on the first Friday of each month in the hall at Esther Drive. This service is open to all who would like to attend.

Reverend Hanna of First Church presents a service at the community hall at Esther Drive on the third Thursday of every month. This service is also open to all who would like to attend.

The tenant association remains a very active organization both at the development and at the JOY center. This year the Esther Drive Tenant Association presented a lovely Christmas Dinner at the hall.

The West Bridgewater Housing Board wishes to thank the West Bridgewater Police, Fire and other town departments who have been most helpful and responsive to the needs of the tenants of Esther Drive.

We also extend our thanks to the Council on Aging for providing transportation to lunches, doctors, stores, etc. This service is much appreciated by the senior citizens of the town.

Again we thank The Bridgewater Visiting Nurse Association for conducting blood pressure clinics at the hall at Esther Drive. This service is available to all senior residents of the town.

Respectfully submitted,
Jo-Ellen Nordberg, *Executive Director*
Albert M. Greiner, *Chairman*
Marion H. Bartell, *Vice-Chairman*
State Member
Robert Kellie, *Treasurer*
Carl Bystrom, *Asst. Treasurer*
Richard C. Williams

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Police Department has been experiencing difficulties with budget constraints, and we find that it is more and more difficult to provide services with level funding.

The workload of the Department continues to increase, as evidenced by the Police Overtime Account, which has been underfunded for quite sometime.

It is my recommendation that the Board of Selectmen appoint an additional full time Patrolman, with the salary expense to be taken from the Police Overtime Account. This action will accomplish two things; one, it will reduce overtime, and, second, it will allow for the increased workload to be accomplished without additional impact on the overall Budget. It is my view that too much money is being spent on overtime salaries when the same amount of work could be accomplished on straight time.

Earlier in the fiscal year, Patrolman Raymund Rogers was appointed to the position of Detective, and he has done an outstanding job. Officer Rogers has been able to solve several cases from the past, as well as those cases that are ongoing. The conviction rate from his work has been beyond my expectations, and he should be commended for his work.

Four new Permanent Intermittent Police Officers were appointed during the past year, and all are participating in the training program at the Massachusetts Criminal Justice Training Academy at Plymouth.

Again, I am fully aware of the budget problems the Town is faced with. However, reductions in the Police Department Budget will be reflected in reductions in services. If any reductions are recommended, it is my hope that I will be given the opportunity to explain fully the consequences of those reductions.

This will be my last report to the Town on the condition of the Police Department, as retirement is approaching. I have tried my very best to serve you well, and have truly loved this Town and my work. It will be difficult for me to leave, but the rules are the rules. I wish my successor all the very best, and hope that he will love this Town and this job as much as I have.

In closing, I would like to thank the Police Officers for their devotion and dedication to their jobs. I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen for their assistance, patience and cooperation. My thanks also to the Community for having allowed me the opportunities that have been given to me throughout my career.

I herewith submit the Annual Report of the West Bridgewater Police Department for the year 1988.

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| Complaints... | 2333 |
| Investigations | 6642 |
| Breaking & Entering | 73 |
| Larceny..... | 116 |
| Arrests (Total) | 374 |
| Male Adult | 325 |
| Female Adult | 42 |
| Male Juvenile... .. | 5 |
| Female Juvenile... .. | 2 |

Following is a breakdown of some of the activity listed above. This does not include traffic violations or misdemeanors.

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| Assault & Battery | 18 |
| Robberies | 5 |
| Breaks (Residential) | 32 |
| Breaks (Commercial) | 41 |
| Larceny More | 73 |
| Larceny Less | 43 |
| Rapes | 3 |
| Attempted Rapes | 0 |
| Indecent Assault & Battery | 0 |
| Operating Under the Influence | 61 |
| Open & Gross Lewdness | 3 |
| Child Abuse | 1 |

MISCELLANEOUS

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| Accidents (Total) | 390 |
| Buildings Found Open | 50 |
| Assist Ambulance | 254 |
| Transport to Mental Health Facility | 21 |
| Assist Other Towns | 204 |
| Officer Assaulted | 1 |
| Fire Calls Covered | 70 |
| Bomb Scares | 1 |
| Alarms Answered | 829 |
| Missing Persons | 0 |
| Vehicles Stolen | 34 |
| Vehicles Recovered | 40 |
| Unexpected Deaths | 6 |
| Incapacitated Persons | 40 |
| Robberies | 8 |
| Vandalism | 106 |
| Alarms Answered | 829 |
| Alarms Answered (False) | 825 |
| Kidnapping | 0 |
| Attempted Suicide at Station | 0 |
| Murder | 0 |
| Value of Property Stolen | \$414,630.00 |
| Value of Property Recovered | \$197,314.00 |

TRAFFIC

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| Accidents | 390 |
| Fatales | 3 |
| Property Damage | 255 |
| With Injuries | 192 |

CITATIONS

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| Warnings | 998 |
| Non-Criminal | 1,995 |
| Arrests & Court | 361 |
| Total Citations | 3,354 |

MONIES RETURNED TO THE TOWN OF WEST BRIDGEWATER 1988

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| Pistol Permits Issued | \$880.00 |
| License to Sell Firearms & Ammunition | 87.00 |
| Firearms Identification Cards | 74.00 |
| Receipts for Copies of Police Reports | 2,048.00 |
| Parking Fines from Plymouth County | 3,125.80 |
| Fines from Brockton District Court | 121,488.00 |
| Work Permits Issued (Sundays & Holidays) | 60.00 |
| TOTAL RECEIPTS TO TOWN: | \$127,762.80 |

Respectfully submitted,
Ervin G. Lothrop
Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my annual report as Chief of the Fire Department of the Town of West Bridgewater for the year 1988.

Personnel

The personnel of the fire department consist of the following: One (1) permanent Chief, One (1) permanent Deputy Chief, Three (3) permanent Lieutenants, Four (4) permanent firefighters, One (1) Call Captain, and Twenty Two (22) call firefighters. Seven of the permanent firefighters, as well as two of the call firefighters are certified as Emergency Medical Technicians at both the national and state level. One (1) permanent firefighter and three (3) call firefighters are certified EMT's at the state level only.

Apparatus

Engine #1, 1978 Hendrickson/Farrar 1250 GPM pumper, Engine #2, 1986 Emergency One/GMC 1000 GPM pumper, Combination #1, 1968 Pierre Thibault/Dodge (4 wheel drive) 500 GPM auxiliary pump, Combination #2, 1967 Ford (4 wheel drive), Ladder #1, 1953 Mack Aerial Ladder 85' (presently in limited service due to problems with the ladder itself), Rescue #1, 1963 Ford Step Van, Ambulance #1, 1984 Chevrolet/Horton, Chief's Car, 1984 Ford Sedan (Former Police Cruiser).

Statistical Report

During the year 1988 the Fire Department responded to a total of One thousand two hundred and fifteen calls (1215). Of these calls, six hundred and thirty (630) were Ambulance responses. These ambulance incidents returned approximately \$47,000.00 in revenue to the town.

Permits Issued/Inspections made:

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| Smoke detectors | 91 |
| Burning/Brush | 561 |
| Cookouts | 300 |
| Gunpowder | 20 |
| Rocket | 0 |
| Oil Burner | 254 |

Drills and Training

Monthly drills are conducted for all personnel of the Fire Department in an effort to keep the personnel familiar with the equipment and its uses and functions. All members of the department are recertified annually in both Cardio-Pulmonary resuscitation and First Aid. Both recertifications are required by state law.

Inspections

All residential properties that are sold are required to be inspected for a sufficient number of operating smoke detectors. In line with this, many banks are requiring smoke detector inspections for remortgage and home improvement loans.

Also, along these lines, all new construction within the town has involved the Fire Department's approval of items such as building plans, sprinkler system locations, and internal fire alarm systems. Due to the lack of daytime, on duty personnel and the above mentioned inspections, we are unable to provide regular inspections of the Industrial, Commercial, and Mercantile establishments on a regular basis which already exist. This condition tends to seriously hamper our ability to be familiar with the rapid and varied changes taking place in our community.

Fire Prevention

Fire prevention lectures were given at the elementary school level during fire prevention week in October. Also, many businesses in town requested that we give training sessions and lectures to their employees. These lectures, covering both fire hazards and emergency medical situations, were very well received by those persons who attended them and plans are already being made to repeat them next year. We are also presently making plans to hold lectures in both of the forementioned categories for town employees in the Highway, Water, Forestry and Clerical departments.

"Red Ball" and "Invalid" stickers, as provided to the department by the West Bridgewater Firefighters' Association, were placed on all homes in the town where requested. These stickers, which help to locate children and/or invalids, are an invaluable tool to firefighters in the event that a problem should occur in your home. Any town resident wishing to have these stickers placed on their home may do so by contacting the department at 586-4137. These stickers will be provided free of charge.

Right to Know Law

As I have mentioned in previous reports, I, as municipal coordinator, and Deputy Chief Leonard T. Hunt as acting municipal coordinator, have overseen the implementation of this law since 1985. During the year 1988, there were no requests for investigations relative to this law.

Requests and Recommendations

I am requesting this year the purchase of a new ladder truck. The present truck, a 1953 model, is not able to be certified for use and we have been advised not to extend the ladder. Some of these problems, I believe, are attributable to the extensive use the truck received immediately following Hurricane Gloria. During this time period, major repairs were needed to the fire alarm system. Working over the side of the truck, with the ladder, for prolonged periods of time is not what the ladder was designed for.

I would like to recommend the purchase of a "bucket" truck for joint use between the fire department and the forestry department. I believe that arrangements can be worked out between the two departments to provide an economical and satisfactory combined use of such a piece of equipment. This department has many miles of overhead fire alarm wires that, over the last several years, have only had emergency repairs done and no preventive maintenance.

It is extremely difficult to repair and install wire from a ladder truck, and if this method was feasible then your utility companies, such as Edison and Telephone, would be using ladders. We are experiencing problems in the Manley St. area, and with the considerable growth we are receiving in that area, I feel that the system needs some serious attention.

I am also requesting that consideration be given to the replacement of the Rescue truck. This vehicle, purchased in 1963, has served the department well, but is outdated for the type of operation of present day firefighting. This truck would be replaced with a "Rescue/Pumper" type vehicle which would allow us to increase our pumping capacity as well as giving us a vehicle that is more versatile. The present truck has no water pumping capability and, therefore, is limited in its use.

In closing, I would like to thank the Officers and men of the fire department for their continued cooperation and support, and all the individuals who comprise the Boards, Committees, and Departments of the town for the assistance given to the fire department during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles A. Dyke, *Chief*

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of West Bridgewater:

I respectfully submit the following annual report for the calendar year 1988.

Residential Construction

| | Construction Value |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 18 Dwellings | \$2,527,500.00 |
| 8 Garages..... | 48,500.00 |
| 59 Additions and Alterations | 1,131,490.00 |
| 28 Swimming Pools... .. | 179,460.00 |
| 3 Stoves..... | 200.00 |
| 22 Sheds and Decks | 31,473.00 |
| 4 Demolition..... | 2,000.00 |

Commercial Construction

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|------------------------------------|--------------|
| 9 New Buildings | 4,411,800.00 |
| 18 Additions and Alterations | 1,877,900.00 |
| 22 Signs..... | 24,880.00 |

36 Certificates of Inspection

Inspections required by State Building Code of Restaurants, Schools, Day Care Centers and Churches

Total Fees collected and deposited to the General Fund\$28,211.87

I wish to thank the citizens of West Bridgewater for their cooperation during the year.

Respectfully submitted,
Steven D. Crawford
Building Inspector

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING & GASFITTING

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby respectfully submit my annual report for the year 1988.

There were 127 Plumbing applications filed for plumbing permits.

There were 196 Plumbing Inspections made in the following types of buildings:

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|----------------------------|----|
| New Dwellings | 28 |
| Old Dwellings | 71 |
| Commercial Buildings | 25 |
| Public Buildings | 2 |
| Trailers..... | 1 |

There were 57 Water Heaters installed.

The Massachusetts State Plumbing Code is used as a basis for all plumbing installations.

There were 136 Gas Fitting Inspections made in the following types of buildings:

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|----------------------------|----|
| New Dwellings | 4 |
| Old Dwellings | 73 |
| Commercial Buildings | 18 |
| Public Buildings | 2 |
| Trailers..... | 2 |

There were 33 Gas Appliances installed.

There were 2 Propane Gas Installations.

The Massachusetts State Gas Code is used for all gas installations.

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph F. Donovan
Inspector of Plumbing and Gasfitting

REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of West Bridgewater:

I herewith submit my Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 1988.

During the calendar year 1988, a total of three hundred forty-eight (348) measuring devices were sealed (an increase of twenty-eight over last year), one hundred fourteen (114) devices were adjusted, twenty-one (21) devices were marked Not Sealed (as such they cannot be used legally in trade), and six (6) devices were condemned for failure to meet prescribed standards.

The following is a summary of measuring devices inspected and tested:

Scales and Balances

| | |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Over 10,000 pounds | 1 Not Sealed |
| 5,000 to 10,000 pounds | 2 Sealed |
| 100 to 5,000 pounds | 10 Sealed |
| | 2 Adjusted |
| | 2 Not Sealed |
| Under 100 pounds | 58 Sealed |
| | 18 Adjusted |
| | 4 Condemned |

Weights

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|-------------------|---------------|
| Avoirdupois | 101 Sealed |
| Metric... .. | 40 Sealed |
| Apothecary | 15 Sealed |
| | 12 Not Sealed |

Liquid Measuring Meters

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| Gasoline | 93 Sealed |
| | 90 Adjusted |
| | 6 Not Sealed |
| | 2 Condemned |
| Diesel Fuel | 5 Sealed |
| | 4 Adjusted |
| Vehicle Tank | 1 Sealed |

Fabric Measuring Devices 20 Sealed

Linear Measures

| | |
|-----------------|----------|
| Yardstick | 1 Sealed |
| Tapes... .. | 2 Sealed |

The following fees were assessed for the above inspections:

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|----------------------|---------------|
| Sealing Fees | \$1,474.90 |
| Adjusting Fees | <u>446.00</u> |
| Total Fees | \$1,920.90 |

Of the total 1988 fees, all were collected prior to the end of the calendar year and turned in to the Town Treasurer.

I wish to express my appreciation to the Board of Selectmen and to the personnel in the various Town Offices for their continued cooperation in assisting me in carrying out my assigned duties.

Respectfully submitted,
Herbert A. Wolfer
Sealer of Weights & Measures

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF WIRES

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|---|-----|
| Edison Service Permits (including construction services, meter changes) | 124 |
| Rough Wiring (condos, additions, new houses) | 86 |
| Electric Ranges | 15 |
| Electric Dryers | 12 |
| Electric Water Heaters | 5 |
| Oil Burners..... | 6 |
| Pools..... | 18 |
| Miscellaneous | 20 |
| Finals (condos, additions, new houses) | 25 |
| Add Outlets..... | 20 |
| Signs..... | 2 |
| Fire Calls..... | 1 |

The latest edition of the Massachusetts Electrical Code was used as a basis of all inspections with no special rules applied. This Department thanks all those who have assisted us in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Albert M. Greiner
Inspector of Wires

REPORT OF THE CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR

There were no emergencies during the past year, which certainly was very fortunate for the Town of West Bridgewater.

Harry Ketler and James Grandfield continue to serve as Communications Officers for your Town and deserve our appreciation for a never ending job well done.

Our supply of water is priceless. It is up to each of us to protect the most important resource of our Town. Without water, your Fire Department, Police Department, schools, Town Hall and homes would cease to function. Remain alert at all times. If you notice anything suspicious in the way of trucks or passenger cars dumping what may appear to you to be containers of any kind along our roads, please report it immediately to your Police Department, telephone (508) 586-2525.

Remember: Once our water supply is contaminated, the Town of West Bridgewater will cease to function.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Manugian
Civil Defense Director

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of West Bridgewater:

The following is the report of the Dog Officer for 1988:

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|---|-----|
| Dogs Impounded | 175 |
| Dogs Claimed by Owners | 62 |
| Dogs Unclaimed by Owners or Stray | 113 |
| Dogs Adopted Out From Kennel | 56 |
| Dogs Turned Over to S.P.C.A. | 57 |

(These animals were put up for adoption or P.T.S. if unadoptable due to health or disposition.)

Approximately 7 to 9 calls received per day.

I am pleased to announce that most dogs not claimed found new, permanent, responsible parties to adopt them through my own adoption program as well as assistance from the Mass. S.P.C.A. in Brockton. By making dogs available for adoption my department saves the town substantial money in euthanasia and surrendering fees. At this time I wish to thank all the citizens of West Bridgewater who participated in and contributed blankets, bowls, biscuits and money for the Spay Program and their time and effort in the Foster Home Project. Due to this effort, more dogs were available for adoption. Anyone needing low cost spaying for a dog or cat may call me. A special thanks to the West Bridgewater Police Department for their assistance throughout the year and to the citizens of West Bridgewater for their support of the programs. Thanks to Diane Saunders, Debra Lloyd, and Ann Budd of the Yankee Rescue, Mr. Lightfoot for donating supplies, Robert Hammond, Avis Berger, Bridgewater and West Bridge Vet Clinics, and Rose Marie Terruso of the Bridgewater Townsman. This year over 75 dog officers participated in a certification program put on by the Needham Police Academy in conjunction with the Animal Control Officers Association of Mass. We graduated on January 13th of this year. The Plymouth County Animal Control Officers Association put on several programs this year including inviting the U.S. Department of Labor, State Representative Shannon O'Brien, Jane Kairo from the Guidance Center, Rick Horton from the Wildlife Center, and Speaker from the Environmental Police. I am looking forward to another progressive, productive year as your dog officer.

Julie Vivace, *Dog Officer*
Canine Control Department
West Bridgewater

REPORT OF THE FORESTRY AND PARKS DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As in past summers, the Forestry and Parks Department has maintained six town owned cemeteries, War Memorial Park, sixteen greens at intersections, the town hall grounds and Legion Memorial Baseball Field, all of which were mowed and trimmed on a weekly basis during the season.

Summer months are also a time for the eradication of hornets and wasps. We responded to numerous calls from residents bothered by these annoying pests. This department also acted on many calls for poison ivy. Residents are urged to let us know if they are bothered by any or all of these problems.

Periodically nightly spraying was performed over the summer months. Weather conditions prevented us from spraying all roadside trees but a good many streets were done. We will continue this program in mid-summer.

Many of the towns most dangerous trees were eliminated over the winter months, but not all were taken down. Too many of the towns largest trees are dying and the odds of their survival are so slim. Their soil is usually surrounded by asphalt or concrete, and the lack of soil surface deprives roots of oxygen and water. The trees are subjected to reflected heat from cars, pavement, and buildings; their roots often lack nutrient-rich soil in which to grow; and they are exposed to road salt. What little soil the trees do have is compacted by pedestrians or cars, which shakes and breaks down the texture of the soil, robbing yet more water and oxygen. Smog inhibits the rate of photosynthesis in the leaves. Construction and ditch digging damage the roots. Cars and trucks back into them and injure their bark, opening up the trunk to insects and disease. Vandals break branches.

So it is no wonder that we are losing more and more of our beauty each year. Keeping up with this demand is not easy but with the help of hired contractors, (bucket trucks and cranes), we can eliminate the worst.

Nineteen new trees were planted in various sections of town last fall in place of lost trees that were dropped. This planting program will be upgraded this spring due to in-creased funds in our nursery budget.

Our department's two platform trucks and drivers cooperated with the Highway Department in the removal of snow and ice.

My thanks is extended to the men of this department for their dedication and good judgement in the work area.

Finally, my thanks to the men and women in all departments, boards and residents of the Town of West Bridgewater for their cooperation over this past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Philip D. MacQuinn
Tree Warden

**ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
WEST BRIDGEWATER
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

My fifth town report as the Superintendent of the West Bridgewater Public Schools is written during a time of concentration on environmental issues. We have been engaged in lead paint removal at the Spring Street School, an AHERA asbestos management plan for all schools, and air quality work at the Howard School. In addition to environmental issues, the School Committee and the Municipal Building Needs and Use Committee have selected an architectural firm to design plans for the replacement of the Rose L. MacDonald and part of the High School roof.

Enrollment projections show a drop to below 400 students in our 7-12 grade enrollment by 1992. In an effort to best cope with this declining enrollment at the secondary school level, the School Committee approved the Superintendent's recommendation to form a Declining Enrollment Committee. The committee is composed of students, representatives of the community and School Committee, teachers, and administrators; their goal is to look at the enrollment situation and make both short-term and long-term recommendations.

Our town and school financial concerns continue to accelerate for several reasons: (1) a decrease in Chapter 70 funding from the state and (2) an increase in costs to offer even a basic level-services program. We were able to survive Proposition 2 1/2 because of increases in state aid. For example, Chapter 70 receipts in FY81 were \$644,000 and increased over 100% to \$1,366,000 in FY88. During that same period of time, school expenditures increased 39%. We must continue to concentrate on our curriculum and our building needs even though there will be funding problems from the state. As we move into the FY90 budget, the lack of state funding will be a focus of discussion.

Having noted the above concerns, we also can identify some very real accomplishments in our public schools. We have (1) established a comprehensive K-12 health curriculum that provides an opportunity to look at AIDS and its prevention, (2) moved to an eight-period day at the Junior High School to open more course selection opportunities to students, (3) expanded our secondary school computer lab, (4) scored average or above in eleven of twelve state assessment test categories, (5) approved MY TURN, an employment skills training program for our grade twelve students, (6) instituted WHERE KIDS COME FIRST, a cable television program that will share activities of the schools with the community, and (7) participated in a Financial Study Group to provide a forum for communications among the Board of Selectmen, the School Committee, the Finance Committee, and town representatives.

It is also important to note the valuable help of our School Improvement Councils, the Parent-Teacher Organization for providing numerous programs and presentations in the performing arts area, and to the local Lions Club, Kiwanis, and Rotary for offering a variety of programs and services to our young people.

In addition to our academic achievements, the many accomplishments of our athletic program should be acknowledged. It is always a source of pride to have so many exceptional teams come from the West Bridgewater school system. Few districts, of any size, can field teams that are of a consistently fine caliber.

This report should pay tribute to the many accomplishments and true dedication exhibited by Donald A. Fisher. As a former Superintendent, he provided me with the following advice, "Do what is best for young people and you can't go wrong." His help and assistance through scholarships, committees, and personal counsel will be sorely missed.

In conclusion, it remains a privilege for me to serve as the Superintendent of Schools. The continued cooperation of all town departments, committees, administrators, teachers, parents, students, and residents in an effort to make this a better school system is a source of great help and inspiration. We will continue to move ahead, cope with the problems, and emerge as a stronger school system.

Respectfully submitted,
Ronald P. Gerhart
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE WEST BRIDGEWATER SCHOOL COMMITTEE 1988

Nineteen eighty-eight was a year of many changes in the schools of West Bridgewater. The election in April saw the return of Mr. Paul Curnutte to the Committee for his second term and the election of Mrs. Ruth Linn Peterson to her first term, replacing Mrs. Betty Alden Miller, who chose not to seek re-election. The Committee joins the town in thanking Mrs. Miller for her many years of service to the children of West Bridgewater. Mrs. Miller has offered to work as a liaison between the schools of our community and Bridgewater State College, a position which will be very valuable to us in the future.

In February, the Committee joined with the town in mourning the loss of Mr. Donald Fisher, a former Superintendent of Schools. Mr. Fisher had served the children of our town for many years, and continued to support the schools even after his retirement. His advice will be sorely missed by all.

Early in the year, due to the retirement of Mr. Thomas Peters, a Special Education Director Search committee was formed, involving both staff and community members. Mr. William Sullivan, our interim director, chaired this committee, which presented us with three very able candidates. Ms. Lynn Bradford was appointed as our new Special Education Director, and started work in July. We are very pleased to welcome her to our administrative team.

In the spring the AIDS Task Force presented us with their recommendation for an AIDS curriculum and related guidelines. This committee, including staff members, medical professionals and community representatives, worked very hard to provide us with a program suited to West Bridgewater. We were very pleased to approve their proposal.

The East Bridgewater/West Bridgewater Regional School District Planning Board met for the final time in the spring and voted not to continue. It was felt that the time was not right for the two systems to regionalize. The School Committee is very grateful for their efforts.

Preparation of the budget for FY 1989 was very difficult. Due to changes in local aid from the state, the town found itself with a projected shortfall of over \$250,000. After extensive discussions with the other town boards, the School Committee reluctantly agreed to cut \$165,000 from its budget. This will have a major impact on the schools in FY 1989, and the school department cannot continue to make cuts without cutting back in services. In order to maintain our comprehensive program at the high school, we must have the funds to run small classes. Without these classes we will continue to lose students to private schools at an

increasing rate. The town as well as the students will be the loser. In order to keep the communications open between the town boards, the School Committee voted in the fall to invite the chairmen of the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee, the Administrative Assistant and interested community representatives to meet regularly with the Chairman of the School Committee and the Superintendent of Schools to discuss the budget. It is hoped that with proper communication and planning, the problems of 1988 can be avoided.

In June Dr. Gerhart recommended a reorganization of our administrators, to place a principal in each of our buildings. It was hoped that this would better serve the needs of our students. After much discussion and community input, Mr. J. Michael Janelli, was appointed as Acting principal of the Rose L. MacDonald School. This change completes our administrative team and Mr. Janelli's expertise should help to continue our work to improve the schools.

Recommended changes to the Junior High School program were approved for the '88-'89 school year. By changing to an eight period schedule instead of a seven period schedule, students can take advantage of a wider variety of programs, including computer literacy, home economics, industrial arts, gifted and talented programs, and health education. Evaluation of this program will take place in the spring of '89, to see if it will continue or be further modified.

Work on our buildings continues. Lead paint is being removed from the Spring Street School, with funds appropriated at a special town meeting; an asbestos report has been completed outlining our needs; insulation has been replaced and exhaust systems revitalized at the Howard School to improve the air quality; and finally design services have been arranged for roof repair at the Rose L. MacDonald School and the Junior-Senior High School. All of this is costly to the town, but is necessary and will save the town money in the future. Our buildings and grounds are in the best shape we have seen in years and the townspeople should be proud of them.

The Committee continues to work, with the support of the town, to provide our students with the best possible education. Our staff members are constantly working for the good of our students, and should be commended for their dedication. Our immediate goals are to continue to modify our curriculum to meet the challenge of declining enrollment and the challenge of our changing world. We look on our graduates with pride as they take their place in our society. Our thanks to the town and the town departments that make our work possible.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Santry, *Chairman*
Joseph Kennedy, *Vice Chairman*
Fred Fitch, *Clerk*
Paul Curnutte
William Oakhem
R. Linn Peterson

CURRICULUM REPORT

Curriculum has continued to occupy center stage in all of the town's schools. At Rose L. MacDonald, all materials have been updated, (a yearly process), and this year we have been examining ways to implement a far more intensive health program. A committee comprised of one teacher from each grade level, the Language Arts Coordinator, and the Curriculum Coordinator/Acting Principal have been meeting to examine the amount of time devoted to subjects at each grade level. This year, under the auspices of the School Improvement Council, we have begun Spanish instruction in grade 1.

At the Howard School, teachers have been actively involved in an array of class projects. As is true at the MacDonald School, all materials have been updated and through various summer projects curricula have been reviewed and re-written. Teachers at both schools have been invited to participate in the "Teachers-on-Tour" program being coordinated through Stonehill College. The cooperative program brings teachers from different school systems together to jointly plan model lessons and then team teach them in each others schools. West Bridgewater is one of the founding school systems and we have high expectations for the program.

This year, working through the Southeast School-College Consortium, we will be participants in an N.S.F. grant to improve science instruction in grades 3-8. Four of our teachers will be involved in the project.

The Junior-Senior High School has been involved deeply with the ten year accreditation process. Through summer and school year projects, teachers have completed all curriculum manuals and have spent many days this year in the self-study phase of accreditation. Additionally, an Educational Technology Planning Grant was awarded to West Bridgewater and a group of teachers, administrators, and parents have been actively involved for the year in studying computer enhanced education in other school systems. A report of findings and recommendations will be sent to the Superintendent when the work is done.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Michael Janelli
Curriculum Coordinator

ROSE L. MacDONALD SCHOOL

Presently there are 326 students enrolled in the Rose L. MacDonald School, K-3. The increase in population is most attributable to an influx of Kindergarten students.

Classrooms at the Rose L. MacDonald School are self-contained, meaning the students spend the majority of the school day with their assigned homeroom teacher for the major CORE curriculum areas of Reading, Language, Spelling, Handwriting, Mathematics, Social Studies and Science. Additionally this year a greater emphasis is being placed on Health instruction.

Students meet once each week with the Art, Music, Library Science and Physical Education specialists who instruct them in these important areas. Third grade students who meet established criteria have the option of enrolling in our Gifted and Talented program and this year we are beginning Foreign Language instruction in grade 1.

Throughout the school year each child's program is periodically assessed and when appropriate, needed changes are made. Students that are experiencing a great deal of diffi-

culty whether it be academic, social, and/or emotional, are provided extra help through our Reading/Language Arts department, Special Needs department, Chapter I program, and/or Counseling department.

Language Arts instruction (meaning reading, writing, spelling, and compositional skills) continue to be given top priority at all grade levels. The emphasis in Reading at the primary level is on the skills involved in learning to read. In all grades students utilize a series of reading textbooks referred to as basal reader programs. In conjunction with the basal readers, students are provided with high quality literature, plays, and poetry through our paperback book selections and the school library. In addition, students in grades K-3 participated in the Motts-International Reading Association Essay contest. Students K-1 drew pictures while students in grades 2 and 3 wrote essays on why they loved books.

Students in grades 1 and 2 are using the Whole Language approach to reading and creating their own Big Books.

Grade 2 students are keeping daily journals which contain a variety of work: poems, essays, and daily logs. Further, students in grades 2 and 3 are writing to Pen Pals in Boston.

Specifically in regard to Reading, students in grades 1-3 have begun their second basal text; grade 1 students are participating in a guest reader program in which parents, administrators and other teachers visit the classroom to share their favorite book; all students in the school participated in "Clifford's Birthday" celebration for which the students read the fifteen Clifford books, wrote birthday messages and hosted a visit by Clifford the dog; and once again students in grades 2 and 3 are participating in the Pizza Hut "Book It" program.

Students average 45 minutes of mathematics instruction in computation, concepts and their application, and problem solving.

We now have a new Social Studies program in all rooms, 1-3, from the Graphic Learning Corporation which emphasizes map skills. Other social studies concepts are taught through an array of methods which keep students interested and involved.

Our Silver-Burdett Science program is used at all grade levels and encompasses both academic and lab experiences.

Grade 2

- took an interesting and informative trip to the Blue Hills Trailside Museum
- besides the usual exhibits they were able to take nature hikes in the surrounding hills

Grade 3

- all grade 3 teachers have been meeting regularly to work on a process developed during the workshop periods to improve methods of science instruction...each teacher chose particular topics to develop over an 8 week period, and then classes were rotated to best utilize the efforts of that teacher.

Gifted and Talented

- the students in the third grade Gifted and Talented program were treated to a number of interesting and informative science demonstrations at the high school, performed by chemistry teacher Bob Chapman.

In addition to the basic academic and specialized areas as described above, students are offered a wealth of highly specialized programs — programs that speak to the needs of particular students. Remedial and enrichment Reading, field trips, theatrical productions, student council and student newspaper are but some of the extra programs run during the

school year. Our Parent-Teacher Organization has again done a fabulous job of arranging enrichment programs and purchasing needed education equipment and materials. And for our third year we have been running "Mr. J's Super Students" awards for students who have shown great effort in their classes.

Rose L. MacDonald has a School Improvement Council which allocated monies awarded by the state and our third graders were tested under the auspices of the Massachusetts Educational Assessment Program in basic skills.

Parent volunteers are involved with students and staff. Volunteers assist with clerical tasks, help supervise specialized activities, and in some cases provide small group instructional help. All volunteers are to be thanked for their dedication.

The dedicated staff at the Rose L. MacDonald School is to be complimented for the outstanding job they do in nurturing and teaching West Bridgewater's most important resource: its children.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Michael Janelli
Acting Principal

HOWARD SCHOOL

Presently, there are 229 students enrolled at the Howard School (Grade 4 - 86, Grade 5 - 76, and Grade 6 - 67). This is an increase of seven students from last school year.

Students in Grade 4 and 5 have been assigned to a homeroom based on their reading proficiency. This group then meets daily for the major subject areas of Reading, Language, Spelling, Handwriting, Social Science and Physical Science. Students are re-grouped each day for their Mathematics instruction.

In Grade 6, students have been separated into four instructional groupings — a reading group, a mathematics group, a Language/Social Science/Physical Science group, and other instructional areas group. In this way, we have attempted to have students of similar abilities meet for their major academic subjects.

All students programs are periodically assessed and if a student's performance indicates a need then changes in placement are made. Any students experiencing major difficulties whether it be academic, social, and/or emotional are provided extra help through our Reading/Language Arts department, Special Needs department, Chapter I program, and/or Counseling department.

Students weekly receive instruction in the specialized areas of Art, Computer Literacy, Library Science, Physical Education, and Vocal Music. Available for those students that have a special interest are instrumental music lessons, school band, school chorus, and intramurals.

TOPHAT (TOWARD OUR POTENTIAL, HOWARD ACADEMICALLY TALENTED) program which is offered once a week Grade 4-6 is for those students who are at the upper end of the academic spectrum. Presently there are 40 students in the program.

SUPER SATURDAY — a program held at Massasoit Community College — is also offered to students that work at a high average level. (40 students attended the fall session).

The results of Basic Skills testing, Assessment testing, and the California Achievement tests indicate that the majority of our students are progressing at an above average pace in the

major academic subjects. However, we are as a staff concerned about the many students that have an indifferent attitude toward reading. An attitude that is in many ways re-inforced by our society. Therefore to encourage reading, students and staff under the direction of the Language Arts coordinator have become involved throughout the school year in a number of reading incentive programs. This years programs are — BOOK IT, a program sponsored by Pizza Hut, TRADE-A-BOOK-DAY, a BOOK FAIR, a PEER reading program involving Grade 6 and Kindergarten students, and READING — A PASSPORT TO THE WORLD. All of these programs provide incentives to encourage reading as a leisure activity in the hope that reading will become a lifetime commitment.

Language — that act of writing — is another area of concentration. Students have a good grasp of the fundamental skills, however, need incentives to perform the act of writing. Consequently, a number of school wide activities have been developed to involve students in the writing process. The activities are: 1. Maintaining a creative writing folder — in this way students can see their progress over a period of time. 2. Participation in pen pal letters — students have written to boys and girls in schools in Boston, East Bridgewater, and Woodbridge, Connecticut. 3. Grade 6 each year publishes a Literary Journal — which is a sample of each students work. 4. Finally, all students participated in an essay context sponsored by the International Reading Association and Mott's Apple Products. Daily, within the classroom, students are encouraged to write — in the hopes that this will become a lifetime commitment.

In Mathematics, students in Grades 4-6 not only receive instruction in arithmetic but also become involved in measurement, geometry, graphing, and ratio. And, because of an increased concern in the area of problem-solving, a minimum of one period of Mathematics instruction per week is used specifically for teaching in this area.

This is the second year of the principal's VIS (Very Important Student) awards. Every five weeks each staff member designates one student who has given the greatest EFFORT academically for this period of time. The student winners are publicly announced, their names are posted outside the school's main office, they receive a certificate of accomplishment, and a certificate to purchase goods from the school store. Each parent is sent a letter congratulating them for having such a responsible child. This program is another effort to promote academic excellence.

Students have also been on a number of field trips — an extension of their regular school program. They have visited Constitution Wharf, the Fine Arts Museum, the Science Museum, and the South Shore Natural Science Environmental Center. More trips are planned for the spring.

To further enrich the student's curriculum we have a number of performers come into the school. Most of the cost of these activities is paid for by the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO). To date we have had an author, Steven Michael Harris; a mime, Tony Montanarro; and a computer-robot program. Other programs being scheduled for this school year are: Amazing World of Light, Benjamin Franklin, Edgar Allan Poe, Enchanted Circle Theatre, Kids on the Block, Gulliver's Travels, MSPCA, Starlab Planetarium, and World of Snakes. The members of the PTO are to be commended for their time and effort.

In closing, I would like to thank all personnel associated with the Howard School for their dedication in providing the best possible education for the students of Howard School.

Respectfully submitted,
William M. Jones

West Bridgewater Junior Senior High School

“Art stands among mankind’s highest achievements. So many of the decisions we make each day involve decisions about style, taste and design. Presumably, educators and parents want to prepare students for all of life’s experiences. Yet as this country’s schools are faced with budgetary restraints and pressures to emphasize fundamental subjects, let the arts languish are we not taking vital knowledge away from our young people? Aren’t we depriving them of the primary means for learning how to transmit our cultural values?”*

The high school art program in West Bridgewater is aimed at establishing a solid foundation in the visual arts for the creative students who desire training for one of the 200 art or art-related careers as well as the interested students who wish to explore their talents for avocational or hobby pastimes. At the heart of the program is the goal of developing a critical eye, innovating thinking and a skillful hand. Art students are assisted in learning creative problem solving and decision making skills that are essential to success in life as well as in artistic activities.

Students work in a studio environment. The first three quarters of the year they work on creative problem solving assignments. The final quarter of the year students contract to work on projects of their special interests and talents.

This year several art students received art awards from the National Scholastic Art Competition: Christopher Zibelli, Mark Roulstone, Dawn Hayes, Chris Mather, Brian Connolly, Stacie Beals and Kelly Lucini. All works were exhibited at the Heritage Plantation in Sandwich, Massachusetts. Chris Zibelli’s art also won a State Award.

Three art shows are held annually. The Fall and Spring Exhibits are held in conjunction with the Parent-Teacher Conferences. The Senior Exhibit is held in late May and the public is invited.

This year the Art Department was the recipient of a grant from the West Bridgewater Arts Council for trips to visit the Museum of Fine Arts and the Isabella Gardiner Museum in Boston. The experience was memorable for the forty students who saw the museums for the first time.

During the course of the year, former art students came to speak to the art classes and exhibit some of their works of art: Laure Turner, Rhode Island School of Design; Jim Connolly and Kathy DeArruda, New England School of Art and Design; Karen Moreau, Mass. College of Art. Reports and visits from other former art students indicate they are doing very well and love their work.

All seventh and eighth grade students participate in the Jr. High School Art Program. Eighth grades are scheduled into their art classes during the fall semester of each school year while seventh graders are scheduled during the spring semester. Students meet three times a week and are involved in a variety of fine art projects including: drawing, painting, color and design, printmaking and calligraphy.

In addition to regular art classes, this fall a new “Super Art” enrichment class has been offered to Junior High school students. Approximately 20-30 students participate during the year in various extra curricular art activities including: fabric painting, mural stencilling, and two and three dimensional design.

In October, the Junior High Art Department conducts the “Great Pumpkin Contest” in conjunction with the Junior High School classroom challenge.

A grant from the West Bridgewater Arts Lottery Council was submitted and approved for the production of the West Bridgewater Historical Society calendar by Junior and Senior High School art students. This project is to begin in the Spring.

All artwork from the Junior High School is exhibited annually at the Spring Show which is held during Parent-Teacher conferences.

***Getty Foundation for Education in the Arts**

The goals of the West Bridgewater Athletic, intramural and physical education programs are to develop skills, values and attitudes along with a competitive spirit which will enable our students to take their place in today's active fast paced society.

Our athletic program should not be thought of as an entity in itself but as an integral part of the total educational experience. The athletic and physical education experiences encountered by our students help them to develop cognitive, psychomotor and affective skills which cannot be accounted for anywhere else in the educational process.

During the 1987-1988 school year there were some 480 students involved in the West Bridgewater athletic and intramural programs.

Three hundred nine student athletes represented West Bridgewater in some 232 varsity and sub-varsity contests. During the 1987-1988 school year there were 171 students involved in the intramural program which included the activities of volleyball, basketball, weight training, and Jr. High recreational games.

As has been the history of the cheerleading squad over the past few years, the performance of our twenty member varsity and sub-varsity squad was outstanding. The dance routines performed by both squads certainly demonstrate the long hours of practice which the girls put into each show.

The 1987-1988 school year again proved to be a very successful one for the West Bridgewater athletic teams as can be seen by the following list of accomplishments:

| SPORT | HONORS |
|---------------------|---|
| Field Hockey | Mayflower League Champions State Tourney |
| Soccer | State Tourney Finalists |
| Girls Basketball | State Tourney |
| Girls Cross Country | Mayflower League Meet Champions |
| Girls Track | Mayflower League Relay Champions |

In addition to the excellent team performances during the year, many West Bridgewater athletes earned individual honors for their outstanding performances as follows:

| NAME | SPORT | HONOR |
|-----------------|--------------|------------|
| Becky Pierson | Field Hockey | All League |
| Sharon Leonard | Field Hockey | All League |
| Bonnie Rascicot | Field Hockey | All League |
| Alicia Thoms | Field Hockey | All League |
| Jim Howell | Soccer | All League |
| Ryan Stork | Soccer | All League |
| Chris Gustin | Soccer | All League |

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| Brian LaBree | Cross Country | All League |
| Chris Trabulsie | Cross Country | All League |
| Sarah Goldman | Cross Country | All League |
| Kate Howell | Cross Country | All League |
| Rob Muckenthaler | Golf | All League |
| Chris Pratt | Football | All League |
| Lonnie Travers | Football | All League |
| Sue DeMolles | Girls Basketball | All League All Scholastic |
| Jennifer Gallagher | Girls Basketball | All League |
| Lisa Renaud | Basketball | All League |
| Lyall Armstrong | Basketball | All League |
| Jim Howell | Baseball | All League |
| Lyall Armstrong | Baseball | All League |
| Dan Kwash | Baseball | All League |
| Tony Palaza | Baseball | All League |
| Sue DeMolles | Softball | All League |
| Scott Asack | Track | All League |
| Brian LaBree | Track | All League |

The elements of winning and competition though they do exist, do not determine the nature of our programs. While we encourage our students to excel, the principles of sportsmanship and fair play are of primary importance at all times in order to enhance the educational values associated with athletic participation.

It is often asked, "What values are derived from athletic participation?" Aside from the obvious physical values, the West Bridgewater student athlete learns the meaning of sportsmanship, cooperation and commitment. These lessons are among the most important to be learned by the young people of today.

Once again, Mrs. Gail Callahan, Business Coordinator of the West Bridgewater Junior-Senior High School Business Department has successfully written a federal grant this time receiving \$3695 in funding. The funding was used to purchase six printers.

Mrs. Callahan attended two conferences held by the Massachusetts Business Education Directors' Association. One was titled "Future of Business Education in Massachusetts" and the other "Task Force Report and Recruitment in Business Education". With information obtained from these conferences Mrs. Callahan has submitted to the administration for consideration three new 1/2 year business courses: Speedwriting, Word Processing for College Students, and Communications.

The Federal Grant Advisory Board will reconvene in the Spring. Topics of concern will include: Updating existing outdated computer equipment and curriculum needs.

Currently, the Business Department staff consists of Mr. Robert Lopes and Mrs. Gail Callahan. Both staff members have their Master's Degree in Business Education.

The English Department continues to offer a variety and range of courses for students in grades 7-12. In the school year 1987-1988, department members participated in a self-study for the up-coming NEASC accreditation. We now have the results of the second state curriculum assessment tests (MEAP) that were administered to grade 8 and grade 12 students in the spring. The grade 8 reading scores were "better than average" of similar communities while the grade 12 results were evaluated as "significantly better than average" of similar communities. At this point, we have a successful English program.

Outside speakers from the Burdett School and Katherine Gibbs presented programs to general and speech communication students. There were field trips to see "The Taming of the Shrew" at the North Shore Music Theater and to Boston College to view the Royal Shakespeare production of "Hamlet".

Rebecca Pierson, a junior, was selected as zone finalist in the Lions Club speech contest: West Bridgewater — Past, Present, Future. She also placed as an alternate in the regionals. The department also cooperated with the Stonehill College and BSC education departments in placing student observers in various classrooms. These programs enable college students to explore teaching as a career.

Along with Roger Coelho (Math Department), Mrs. Tilda Bystrom, Mrs. Margaret Woods and Mrs. Janice Ricciardelli participated in an in-service grant with East Bridgewater which culminated in the writing of a study skills guide for junior high students. Each grade 7 and 8 student was issued a copy in September ('88) and we have received favorable reports from faculty and students.

The Foreign Language classrooms have been recently painted. A third row of headsets and microphones have been replaced in the language lab. West Bridgewater High School will serve as a regional test center for the National Spanish Exam on Saturday, March 18, 1989. Spanish students plan to go on a field trip to a Mexican restaurant in April.

The highlight of 1988 for the French Department was a day trip to New York City. This was a comparative culture experience and was a follow-up to A French Day in New York City, a trip taken in 1987. The trip involved all students, grades 8-12, taking French.

Students toured various ethnic sections of the city, including Chinatown, the Italian district and Greenwich Village. In the afternoon, a visit to the Statue of Liberty followed lunch.

In order to sample some authentic French food, the French students had lunch at a French restaurant, Le Beau Rivage, in New Bedford. Each student was able to select a French lunch of their choice.

In addition, some classes had a cheese tasting lesson and sampled "Fondue" while others made "crepes" or enjoyed a French breakfast of "croissant" and "cafe' au lait".

Other activities included a visit to the elementary classes by the eighth grade French I class to sing French Christmas carols and a French treasure hunt. In addition, there were various group projects involving French adaptations of game shows and television programs, original plays written and performed in French and "homemade" video shows.

During the 1987-1988 school year, the Guidance Department continued to assist students in developing their ability to make decisions about personal, social, career and educational issues. Educational, vocational, and personal counseling was provided on an individual and/or group basis to students in grades one through twelve. Parent-teacher-student conferences were scheduled during the year in order to enhance a student's development.

Career education was actively in view again this year. Speakers from various colleges, military services and career fields were invited to assist students in career exploration/ planning and self-awareness. Under the direction of the elementary and junior high school Guidance Counselors, students entering the Howard School or junior high school became more familiar with the facilities and policies by participating in an orientation program. Classroom workshops were implemented at the elementary level relative to sexual growth/ development, academic development issues, study skills, responsibility and positive attitude in the classrooms. A unit on Self-Confidence was presented to all seventh graders as well. Homeroom Challenge was coordinated to foster student and faculty morale, and to increase participation and enthusiasm by all participants in the junior high school. This "Motivation through Competition" program was based on a model which had been used successfully in other area schools.

The Harrington O'Shea Career Decision-Making Test was administered to all sophomores. In order to help students learn more about oneself and how to develop one's potentiality, students were provided with a variety of activities, classroom programs, interest surveys and resources in addition to highly individualized counseling sessions. A variety of information regarding careers, college and health-related topics was available to students through classroom and assembly presentations, post-secondary school representative contact as well as field trips.

A computerized career information system, ACES was available to all students, staff and residents of West Bridgewater. The American Career Exploration System (ACES) offered students the opportunity to become more aware of their educational goals, personality preferences, abilities, interests and alternatives to post-secondary schools.

A variety of standardized tests continued to be administered system-wide. Students were evaluated in grades K-8, by means of the California Achievement Test. The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT) was administered to tenth and eleventh graders on a voluntary basis. The Armed Services Vocational Battery (ASVAB) was offered to all high school students on a voluntary basis as well. Test results were interpreted and discussed with respect to present and future planning.

1988 was a memorable year for awards. Mary Muckenthaler received a Letter of Commendation for the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. Seniors Melissa Cassidy, Mary Muckenthaler, Timothy Underhill, and Christopher Zibelli were named as Massachusetts Commonwealth Scholars. Mary Muckenthaler was nominated to receive the Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship Award sponsored by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Nine students were selected for the summer P.C.C. Advanced Studies Program at Bridgewater State College. Based on their exceptional achievement test scores, fourteen seventh grade students qualified in the initial selection procedure for participation in the "Talent Search" sponsored by the Center for the Advancement of Academically Talented Youth at Johns Hopkins University.

Scholarships totaling over \$59,000.00 were awarded to graduates and former graduates of West Bridgewater High School. The funds were raised through the efforts of the local Citizens Scholarship Foundation. The total also represents contributions from the Horace Howard Aid Fund, local businesses, social organizations, memorial scholarships, private contributions, and trust funds.

The Class of 1988 decided upon various pursuits after graduation. Sixty-nine percent of the class was planning on continuing their education after high school.

**West Bridgewater Public Schools
Guidance Report on Placement for 1988**

| Total Continuing Education | Total Boys | Graduates Girls | 1988 Total |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1984 — 62% | | | |
| 1985 — 70% | 38 | 39 | 77 |
| 1986 — 61% | | | |
| 1987 — 71% | | | |
| 1988 — 69% (4 yr. 38%, 2 yr 22%, Post Sec. Voc. & Nurse's Training 9%) | | | |

| | Boys | Girls | Total | % Class |
|---|-------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| Four Year Public Colleges | 8 | 9 | 17 | 22 |
| Four Year Private Colleges | 6 | 9 | 12 | 16 |
| Two Year Public Colleges | 2 | 11 | 13 | 16 |
| Two Year Private Colleges | 0 | 4 | 4 | 5 |
| Nurse's Training (3 years) | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Post Secondary (includes Business & Secretarial, Vocational/Technical Training) | 3 | 3 | 6 | 8 |
| Military | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Work | 14 | 1 | 15 | 19 |
| Marriage | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Undecided | 4 | 5 | 9 | 12 |

Educational Institutions to be Attended by Members of the Class of 1988

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Barry University, Florida | New England School of Art & Design |
| Bay State Junior College | New England Tractor Trailer School |
| Becker Junior College | Northeastern University |
| Boston University | Nyack College, New York |
| Bridgewater State College | Plymouth State College, NH |
| Brockton Hospital School of Nursing | Roger Williams College, RI |
| Brook College, California | Simmons College |
| Cape Cod Community College | Southeastern Massachusetts University |
| Fisher Junior College | Stonehill College |
| Johnson & Wales, RI | Travel & Tourism School of Florida |
| La Baron School of Cosmetology | University of Lowell |
| Mississippi State University | University of Maine at Farmington |
| Massasoit Community College | University of Massachusetts, Amherst |

The 1988-1989 school year has been marked by a restructuring of the health education department. This restructuring began with the appointment of a Horace Mann teacher whose role it was to evaluate the existing program and to recommend a new system of instruction, including scheduling and curriculum considerations. As a result of the Mann report, the following were implemented:

1. The appointment of a coordinator of health education for grades 7-12.
2. The implementation of a comprehensive K-12 health curriculum (Health Skills for Life).

3. A new scheduling pattern whereby students in grades seven and eight have two health classes per week and students in grades nine and ten have four health classes per week in two week cycles.

It is hoped that the future will bring further changes in the health format, making health education a half year course for freshman and sophomores, as were adding an elective course for juniors and seniors dealing with current health issues.

Aside from the scheduling and curriculum changes, the coordinator has implemented some new programs such as:

1. Bi-monthly health days featuring guest speakers, films, assemblies, and health screening dealing with topics such as smoking, cholesterol, heart disease, alcohol and AIDS.
2. A spring health fair for Jr. High students which will bring health specialists from the community into the school to discuss their areas of expertise with our kids.

A health resource area for use by students, faculty and staff which includes health books, films, pamphlets, 800#s and access to a variety of state and national resources.

We at West Bridgewater believe that health education is of vital importance to our youth in today's society where our number one health hazard is our lifestyle. A majority of the current health problems can be reduced through our own actions if we are properly educated.

It is our hope to continually grow and improve and prepare our students for their place in today's everchanging society.

A major premise applicable to health education's place in the total educational process is "If you do not have your health you do not have anything".

Physicals were done, as in the past, in August for all fall sports by Dr. Arthur Carriere. The turn out was greater this year than before. Pre-physicals were done also which consists of heights, weights and blood pressures.

Confidential information was distributed to all members of the faculty so that each teacher could become aware of students with special problems, such as Vision and Hearing problems. (Preferential seating by the teacher may be arranged for students prior to the opening of school.) Handicaps, Diabetes and Epilepsy, to name a few, and their special instructions to faculty are included. The confidential information is updated as necessary.

It is strongly recommended that the school be informed of any home situations which could affect the student and their school life, such as death in the family, a divorce, or an illness which could be stressful to the student.

Vision and Hearing screening was done in early October as it is required by law annually, with failures re-screened by the school nurse. Referrals are then sent home with those students who have failed. Parent co-operation needs to be improved greatly as to informing the school what action has been taken as to the notice sent home.

Students have all been immunized according to the recent Massachusetts Immunization Law. Updating T/D boosters are done each year through school clinics or by students' private physician.

Mandatory Scoliosis screening is done annually by the Physical Education Department with positive findings being referred to the school nurse for re-screening. All positive or questionable screening by the school nurse is sent home by way of a notice. Students should then be checked by their own private physician.

Health counseling continues daily. In the addition, the school nurse acts as an advisory to the Future Nurses Club.

The Home Economics Department employs one full time teacher. The curriculum at the high school includes one year of Child Care and Development and Life Skills and half years courses in Singles Living followed by a Chefs Course. The Child Care class conducts a nursery school session for local preschool children two hours a week.

At the junior high school level Home Economics is now a required subject for one half year. Students are offered extensive hands on experience in preparing nutritional foods, decorating with fabrics, constructing duffle bags, modifying and decorating ready to wear clothing and learning to evaluate and use advertising to improve consumer skills.

The Industrial Arts Department has added both the seventh and eighth grades to its program this year. This has meant an increase of about 160 students this year. The metal shop class has made four weight racks for the weight-lifting room this year.

1988 was a year of growth and challenge for the library. During the latter part of the 1987-1988 school year and the beginning of the 1988-1989 school year, Elizabeth D. Murphy, Librarian, and Barbara Perkins, Library Technician, continued to make the changes necessary to foster students' independent critical thinking abilities by integrating the teaching of information gathering skills with the teaching of junior/senior high school subjects. In support of that role the library:

- Worked with classroom teachers to create cooperative learning experiences and to increase the use of the library by classes. (During the year each class, on the average, was involved in three library-related projects.)
- Wrote an Educational Technology Planning Grant (funded for the 1988-1989 school year) to plan for the use of computer to support independent reading and research projects.
- Updated the library's collection by reviewing its' collection and adding 250 hard-cover books, 200 paperback books, and 100 pamphlets to the collection.
- Rearranged the collection to promote the use of reference materials and audio-visual materials and to loosen up the shelves by moving the reference collection and the audio cassettes into the main library room. (This was made possible by the purchase of 672 running feet of shelving and an audio-visual display unit.)
- Promoted recreational reading by holding a successful book fair that resulted in the library adding fifty new paperbacks to its' collection.

The library is involved in the following ongoing projects:

- Planning for future needs by investigating the use of computers for library management and, with other members of the Educational Technology Planning grant members, the use of the computer as a teaching tool.
- Accurately communicating the library's holdings by updating the card catalog and by upgrading the cataloging previously-purchased books.
- Reviewing and evaluating the library's reference book and audio-visual collections; weeding out-dated materials; and selecting, ordering, and processing new materials.

This year the mathematics department dramatically expanded its computer lab in order to provide facilities for a junior high school computer literacy course. We also increased our

software library. However, we are only about half way toward our goal of a fully equipped computer lab with a station for each student. We have not yet begun to tap the potential of computers as teaching tools.

This year two state tests are being used to measure how well we are meeting our goal of offering a wide variety of courses to a wide range of students. These tests are the test of basic skills and the curriculum assessment test. The basic skills test was administered to all ninth grade students and all tenth grade students who had not yet passed the basic skills test. Not only did every ninth grade student pass the test, but several students turned in perfect papers. It seems clear that the basic concepts of mathematics are being taught well in West Bridgewater. The curriculum assessment test indicates that West Bridgewater is generally average to above average for its kind of community.

The junior-senior high Music Department consists of the junior-senior high marching band, junior high band, senior high band and junior high chorus. These groups have already been actively involved in public performances including their participation in the annual Christmas Concert on December 21st. The senior high band also performed for a warm and receptive group of senior citizens at the Spring Street School this past December and is anticipating a similar performance in the spring.

The junior-senior high bands are presently working on new concert material. In the spring the groups will perform both separately and as a combined ensemble which has proved beneficial for everyone involved. The combined group is also planning to perform at the Howard School to introduce our program to incoming seventh grade musicians. All instrumental music students have also begun a weekly rotation lesson program.

Although the program is only just beginning, its long range benefits will enormously improve individual student growth and consequently improve the overall quality of the ensembles.

The junior high chorus has dramatically increased in size from 15 to 42 since last year. The group has been working on choral ensemble numbers as well as a theatrical production. The seventh and eighth grade rendition of "The Wizard of Oz" is scheduled for early February and will highlight some very talented students. The long range goal includes the establishment and development of separate junior and senior high vocal programs.

The Marching Band has been expanded to include as many students in grades 7-12 as possible. The group has already performed at pep rallies, home games and participated in the Veteran's Day Parade in Bridgewater. Future plans include performances in the Brockton St. Patrick's Day Parade and the Y.A.A. Little League Parade in the spring.

All Junior High students are required to take a General Music class three times a week for one semester. Students are exposed to a wide variety of musical experiences. The curriculum includes the study of musical instruments, musical styles, the elements of music, Broadway musicals and more.

Things are already being planned for the spring. The annual music trip will take place in the latter part of the year. And, finally, all four performing groups will culminate the year with their participation in the annual Spring Concert in May.

Once again the Junior High Science Project Exhibit held during the spring was a big success, with many of the projects reflecting student ingenuity and hard work. 8th grad winners were: 1st — Aaron Johnson, 2nd — Michael Carriere, and 3rd — Jennifer Ames. 7th grade winners were: 1st — Tim Santry, 2nd — Mark Kwan, and 3rd — Heather Kendrick.

Some of the more interesting class sessions included a trip to a radiology lab for biochemistry, a brain dissection for anatomy and physiology, and a trip to the Museum of Science for the 7th grade.

Congratulations to Edward Kelly, high school earth science teacher, who recently earned his doctorate in geology from Boston University.

In order to broaden our science offerings, an additional period of instruction was added to the 9th grade earth science program. Thus, the ESCP course will meet 6 periods per week, with a double lab period for student experiments.

The acquisition of a new digital weather station has greatly enhanced our earth science program. Students have been busy recording and graphing weather data during their study of meteorology.

Last spring, as part of our Student Enrichment Program, 6 students received certificates of participation in the Spotlight Program of Projects For High Learning Potential, sponsored by Southeastern Massachusetts University. Students in attendance were Julie Cassidy, Chris Trabulsie, Jennifer Spadea, Carin Macuch, Robert Muckenthaler, and Chris Connelly.

In a world where young American citizens need to become knowledgeable and conversant about past and present events in local, state, national, and international arenas, to become informed consumers, taxpayers, and voters, the Social Science Department continues to challenge our students to begin to appreciate what a privilege it is to be an American.

As an ongoing process, our varied curriculum is continually being reviewed and revised. Likewise, social studies instructors continue to research and implement effective techniques in all required courses and electives.

In addition to required coursework, our social science students again participated in a variety of activities this past year. For example, Sociology students completed a unit on deviant behavior, culminating in a visit to MCI in Plymouth to see first-hand life in a Massachusetts Correctional Institution.

Likewise, the theme of this year's Forty-second Annual Voice of Democracy National Broadcast Scriptwriting Scholarship Program was "Preparing for America's Future". Students prepared a short speech which was judged on delivery, originality, and content. Julie Donahue was our local winner and representative at the regional contest. Chris Loycano was our school's runner-up. Many students did a fine job on their speeches.

In January, all students in grades 9-12 attended a school-wide two hour presentation sponsored jointly by the Social Science Department and the West Bridgewater P.T.O. Professor Alexander Scharf, a Hungarian Jew who survived the Nazi holocaust after living in concentration camps for more than a year, spoke animatedly to students about his own personal experiences and the horror of the holocaust.

Our students again participated in Student Government Day this year. Julie Donahue was elected delegate and Pamela Boyd, alternate, in a school-wide election held November 8. They attended one workshop at Durfee High School and two more at the Statehouse. On April 7, students from many Massachusetts communities took over roles in the Statehouse for the day, providing them with first-hand information about state government, opportunity to participate in the legislative process through a mock procedure, to network with their peers on state-wide issues and conversely — to allow state officials contact with young people voicing their generation's positions on important current issues. This program has been an annual event since 1947 and has inspired many students to later aspire to positions in state government.

Respectfully submitted,
S. Erick Benson
Principal

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

It has been ten months since I first began my work with the West Bridgewater Public Schools. In this period of time, many positive and productive activities have been initiated and/or further developed by the School Committee, administration, staff and parents in an effort to expand the scope and quality of special education services offered by our school system. It is to the credit of all these people that the benefits of these activities have, in most cases, already been directly experienced by our students. In a time when education on national and state levels is undergoing much scrutiny, we in West Bridgewater can proudly say that our focus is and will continue to be on the child. Problems and concerns are an inevitable part of the work we do, but they are more easily addressed and resolved if all parties continue to focus on “the child as the priority” throughout the process.

During the first few months of this school year, the needs of the system were identified and assessed by administration, staff, parents and outside consultants and evaluators through the following activities:

- Department of Education Compliance review follow-up
- Program evaluations for federal grants under P.L. 94-142 and P.L. 89-313
- Parent feedback (i.e. individual contact and via Special Ed Parent Advisory Council meetings)
- “In-house” needs assessment by regular and special education staff
- Bi-monthly administrative TEAM meetings
- Weekly building-level special ed staff meetings (including regular ed administrators and staff when appropriate)
- School Committee meetings

System-wide participation in this process produced some very significant results: (1) it provided the opportunity for all groups involved in the special education process to participate together and “be heard”, (2) it allowed us to evaluate our present services and thereby establish realistic goals for future direction and means to ensure accountability, (3) and it gave all of us a chance to reflect on the many good things that are happening to and for children in special education. Capitalizing on the “positives” helps all of us maintain perspective, objectivity and energy to turn the “negatives” around.

The following items were cited by these groups as commendable efforts and activities that should continue:

- Summer Language Program for special needs students
- Alternative Program at the Jr./Sr. High School
- Summer Reading program for special needs students
- Dedication and cooperative spirit of special and regular ed staff in serving childrens’ needs
- On-going communication between home and school
- Coordination of support services between Occupational and Physical Therapies and Adapted Physical Education

- Parent satisfaction with Special Ed support services
- Increased psychological and school adjustment counseling services available to regular and special ed students
- Vocational counseling services
- Increased parental involvement in special ed activities
- Language Intervention program at the MacDonald School
- SPED Parent Advisory Council

Two items, in particular, were identified for further development:

- Systems of communication between regular and special ed staff within and between buildings and within special education department
- In-service training opportunities for staff

In response to these items, the Special Ed Department has implemented new internal procedures to improve overall communication within the system. We also initiated in-service training on large and small group bases to respond to these identified needs. To improve communication, we examined both the procedures for sharing information and maintaining records and the personal skills required for effective communication. We have scheduled weekly building level staff meetings, periodic system-wide SPED staff meetings, and set-up sub-committees to focus on specific programmatic development. These activities have provided weekly opportunities to staff for skills training in the areas of problem-solving, decision-making, conflict-management, effective listening and strategies for leading productive meetings.

Through these meetings and more formal in-service training sessions, the school system has already provided training in the areas of:

- Special Ed laws, regulations and policies
- Integration of multi-handicapped children into the public schools
- Effective methods of record-keeping and case management by Special Ed liaisons
- Cognitive learning styles and thinking preferences
- Development and implementation of goals and objectives for the Special Ed Department for 1988-89 and beyond
- Transitional planning for SPED students entering, moving through or leaving our school system
- Chapter "766" pre-referral policies and procedures
- Early Childhood programs and services
- SPED transportation procedures
- SPED Program Development

Our department has also initiated this year, new programs and services for special needs students. A summer language program was established at the MacDonald School that serviced students with significant speech and language needs. The program helped maintain and develop the skills of students already in our kindergarten language program and those

who were preparing to enter in September. We also integrated seven students into our public schools who had been "tuitioned out" to other programs. Six were pre-school youngsters entering our kindergartens (two of whom were multi-handicapped), and one was a student entering the Alternative Program at the high school. As a result of the tremendous efforts of staff and administration, we have been able to provide the children more opportunities for integration into the school and community and also reduce the overall cost of services for these students.

Another significant programmatic change occurred this year that was beyond our control, but nonetheless disappointing to us all. Project Employ, the school-to-work transitional program, was eliminated due to withdrawal of funds necessitated by state budgetary cutbacks. We are continuing to provide vocational counseling services at the high school, however the program structure that serviced both West and East Bridgewater high schools has not been funded. We will continue to pursue opportunities with the Department of Occupational Education to re-establish this program because of the benefits and advantages it offered our students over the last four years.

Planning is also underway for pre-school (3 and 4 year olds) and kindergarten (5 and 6 year olds) screening sessions in the spring. The screenings are performed to assess whether or not the child displays any significant delays or impairment in communication, motor skills or physical development. The screening helps ascertain the need for further evaluation of the child. It does not test for intelligence and it is not used to decide whether the child does or does not enter kindergarten or pre-school programs.

Currently, we are providing SPED services and programs to 195 students, ages 3 to 22 years old. Of this group, 11 are presently in programs outside of our school system. This represents a decrease of 10 from last year's total of 21 students in outside programs. This reduction reflects those students who integrated into our public schools, moved out of the district, or graduated from their programs.

As you can see, these past few months have been very busy and productive ones for the Special Education Department. The progress we have made in this short period of time has been achieved as the direct result of the dedication and commitment of staff and administration and the support we received from parents and the community.

I feel fortunate to be the SPED Administrator in a school system of this caliber and want to extend my appreciation to all those who have supported me throughout this transitional period. Your cooperation and good humor has made my work enjoyable and rewarding. I look forward to the challenges and achievements the future will bring.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynn Bradford
Director, Special Education

REPORT OF THE SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Southeastern offers 24 high school vocational training programs and 6 Technical Institute post-secondary programs. On October 1, 1987, 1,272 students were enrolled in the high school and 112 post-secondary students were enrolled in the Technical Institute.

In June 1988, the Southeastern Regional Vocational Technical High School graduated 267 students. Guidance Department records indicate that 98% of the members of the Class of 1988 were placed either in full-time jobs or had elected to further their education. Much

of the success of our job placement record is attributed to the Cooperative Education program. Fifty-seven percent of the Class of 1988 participated in the Co-op Program.

Federal grants from a variety of sources were used to offset equipment costs. Vocational Education Act grant funds (Public Law 98-524) were used to purchase lifts, drafting boards, drafting machines and specialized electrical equipment for the Automotive, Machine Drafting and Electrical Programs.

Federal funds were also used to hire personnel to recruit, support and retain students in non-traditional programs within the school. This project was chosen by the Department of Education as a model program.

Special Education funds (Public Law 94-142) were used to support our Chapter 766 program. Chapter II block grant funds were used to purchase computers for computer-assisted instruction.

School Improvement Council funds and Equal Education Opportunity Grant funds were also used to purchase equipment and supplies.

Curriculum and staff development continue to provide students with increased options upon graduation. Computer instruction further incorporated into the mathematics curriculum. Increased reading and writing skills were strengthened by updating the curriculum and materials of the English Department. Computer-assisted units are now being introduced into the vocational related curriculum.

In July 1988, Dr. John P. Avery, of East Bridgewater, was appointed High School Director. Dr. Avery has served as Director of Guidance Services at Pathfinder Regional Vocational Technical High School in Palmer, MA, Director of the Regional 5 Vocational Center in Plymouth, NH, and Assistant Superintendent-Director of the Northern Berkshire Regional Vocational Technical School District in North Adams, MA. As Director of the Plymouth, NH Center, he led the planning and construction of a new vocational education facility.

In September 1988, William Andrews was appointed Director of the Technical Institute and Supervisor of the Adult Evening School. Mr. Andrews' work experience includes private industry and experience in teaching, guidance and administration.

The annual Senior Awards Program provided over \$18,000 worth of scholarships and "toolships" to graduating students. The scholarship program enables students to obtain tools and equipment for employment or funds to continue their education.

The demand for graduates of vocational programs continues to be very strong in Massachusetts.

West Bridgewater is a member of the Southeastern Regional School District. The district consists of seven other towns and the City of Brockton. Taxpayers support the school district through assessments which are based on the number of attending students from each member community. West Bridgewater's share of the FY89 \$7,370,046 budget consists of 3.31%, representing 46 students.

Southeastern is always seeking new and different ways of conducting its educational programs at minimal costs to the taxpayers of the district. The cost of operating the Southeastern Regional School District is among the lowest in the Commonwealth.

Respectfully submitted,
Eugene Kostecki

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As your Highway Superintendent, I am pleased to submit my 1988 annual town report of the accomplishments of the Highway Department.

Resurfacing Type I-1:

During the past year, the men of the Highway Department blacktopped Matfield Street from the East Bridgewater town line to East Street. The shoulders of the road were loamed and seeded. This past summer, we shaped and leveled three large sections of East Center Street to prevent the loss of this rather busy section of road. The remaining roads prepared and resurfaced were Emerson Avenue for 461' and Shagbark Road for 510'. South Elm Street was shaped and leveled for 4,200'. Thayer Avenue was shaped and leveled for 2,700' and will be completed this summer; Pleasant Street had 2,900' removed and replaced with binder and top. The Town Hall parking lot was swept and resurfaced with 1 1/2" of top and 3,700' of Forest Street was also resurfaced. The entire length of North Elm Street was crack filled and crack filling was begun on South Street and will be completed this summer.

Drainage:

In order to alleviate a flooding problem, 310' of 12" pipe was installed along Prospect Street, including the installation of three catch basins and one manhole. A 24" culvert was installed under River Street to aid drainage along the side of the road. Twelve catch basins were repaired due to salt deterioration.

Snow:

The hired contractors, the men of the Highway Department, as well as the men of the Forestry Department have done a superb job of keeping the roads safe and passable by sanding and plowing during the winter months. We would again like to thank the townspeople for their cooperation in observing the winter parking ban in effect by keeping their vehicles off the roadway to facilitate plowing.

Maintenance:

All roadsides have been mowed twice this year. The Town was swept once by our street sweeper. The Town's 643 basins were also cleaned. All street lines were painted. The Highway Department spent a great deal of man hours and energies picking trash along the roadsides. Due to the tight restrictions and closing of landfills, this will become a major problem in future years. The increase of illegal roadside dumping represents a major cost to the town and we should all be aware of violators and report such offenders along with their license plate numbers to the Police Department. This coming summer, the Highway Department will spend many hours on scraping and painting bridges, repairing washed out areas and replacing any rotted woods.

Transfer Station:

The transfer station has been in operation since 1978. We taxpayers have seen many changes in its operations including the type of materials accepted at land fills such as parts of metals with PCB's, asbestos, as well as large appliances. Both the EPA and the DEQE regulations mandate these changes for our and future generation's health protection. But, in so doing, have increased illegal roadside dumping of these very same items by outsiders. We pay professional haulers for transporting and handling of these hazardous wastes. The opening of SEMASS has been delayed to September 1, 1989, thus delaying our proposed operating cost savings. The operating budget has continued to escalate and will not change until the implementation of our contract with SEMASS.

Bill Hayes, our transfer station attendant has done an excellent job in keeping the station clean and open to townspeople. The new transfer station stickers became available January 1, 1989. I urge all citizens to obtain their new green sticker at a cost of \$1.00 for their first vehicle and \$2.00 for the second.

Due to the proposed budget cuts, there may be a decrease in some highway services over the coming year.

My heartfelt thank yous again go to the men of the Highway Department for their excellent work and dedication. I should also like to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Administrative Assistant, and all Town Departments and individuals for their support and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald E. Newman
Highway Superintendent

REPORT OF THE WATER SUPERINTENDENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

We the Commissioners and Superintendent of the Water Department of the town of West Bridgewater, respectfully submit our annual report for the year ending December 31, 1988.

During the year a total of 318,011,506 gallons of water was pumped, which is 5,938,594 gallons less than the previous year. The greatest amount for any one day was June 30, with 2,240,000 gallons. The largest month was June with 34,653,000 gallons pumped. The largest week was June 24, with 11,083,806 gallons pumped.

With 318,011,506 gallons of water pumped plus 1,166,710 gallons bought from Easton, a total of 319,178,216 gallons of water was used. This makes a daily average usage of 874,461 gallons.

A total of 12 new services were installed for a total of 2,330 services.

During the past year the water Dept. experienced some ups and downs. In June we completed our newest well in the Cyr St. area yielding 350 gallons per minute. In late July our Norman Ave. well started pumping air and we had to stop using it. During the summer we also completed a pump test on a second site in the Cyr St. area and D.E.Q.E. granted the water dept. permission to go ahead and develop another well at the Cyr St. well field yielding 300 gallons per minute. Permission was also granted to develop another well yielding 500 gal per minute in the Norman Ave. well field to replace the old one.

Starting in November of this year we have undertaken a meter replacement program and we hope to replace all in-house meters north of Rt. 106 which do not already have the new remote outside reader. As of this report almost all of the 600 meters which we have purchased for this purpose have been installed. We hope to purchase another 600 meters next year and complete replacement of all houses south of Rt. 106 during the next fiscal year. Many of the meters that we have pulled from homes were built in 1897 and the town purchased them as used water meters from the city of Brockton in 1910 when our water dept. was started. These meters today are still working but were giving our customers 3 and 4 gallons and only billing for 1 gallon.

During this summer the water dept. completed the blacktopping of the access road to the new control center.

During the year we have been involved in gathering information to be used in the ongoing leak detection and water audit of our town. By next summer we hope to be in the field with leak detecting equipment listening for leaks.

Station maintenance was carried out daily, after every severe storm, and all power failures. A total of 509 hours of overtime was spent in emergency leaks and maintenance.

On Sunday, October 23, 1988 the Water Department officially dedicated the new control facility to the late Edward G. Asack, a West Bridgewater water commissioner for 37 years.

During the year, 156 analyses of our drinking water were made by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Quality Engineering for bacterial elements. All reports were most satisfactory, showing it to be of highly acceptable quality and free from bacterial elements. Analysis of sodium concentration in our water averaged 16 milligrams per litre for 1988, allowing us to meet the state regulation of a maximum of 20 milligrams per litre. We also ran individual tests on all four wells to check for cancer causing pollutants in our water and none were detected in any of our wells.

We feel 1988 has been a very successful year and we hope that the water ban that had to be put into effect last summer will not have to be repeated this coming summer. The start up of our two new wells by spring should help us meet this goal. Our greatest challenge in the upcoming year remains to be raising enough revenue to meet the expansion of our system created by the growth of our community.

We would like to thank all departments that came to our aid when requested and most importantly all the townspeople who have supported us in reaching our goals.

Respectfully submitted,
John W. Noyes, *Chairman*
Donald Asack, *Clerk*
David Churchill, *Member*
Richard E. Krugger, *Superintendent*

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the citizens of West Bridgewater:

In compliance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, we submit the following report for 1988.

The Board of Health in the past year held the following clinics: Rabies shots, flu shots, blood pressure readings, blood sugar level readings and TB Mantoux testing.

The annual town election of 1988 saw the re-election of Edward Cruz to the board. An election by the board put Marie Bagley as Chairperson, James Howell as Clerk, and Edward Cruz as member.

During the year the board took in the following fees as revenue:

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| Perc test observations | \$12,750 |
| Disposal works permits | 2,240 |
| Food service and retail food permits | 550 |
| Disposal installers' permits | 805 |
| Milk and cream permits | 400 |
| Septic haulers' licenses | 210 |

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| Rabies clinic | 107 |
| Mobile food service permits | 80 |
| Mobile home park licenses | 20 |
| | <u>\$17,162</u> |

We wish to thank the Visiting Nurse Association for their help throughout the year in running the different programs. Our Public Health Nurse is available to the public at our office every first and third Tuesday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The nurse does blood pressures, sugar level tests and TB Mantoux testing. The Visiting Nurse Association report may be found in a separate section of the Town Report.

The board members have attended quarterly meetings of the Southeastern Association of Board of Health which were held at various locations.

The Board of Health meets on the first and third Wednesday evenings in their office at the town hall. Meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. Those requesting to be on the agenda establish a time with the secretary. The office is open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
 Marie Bagley, *Chairperson*
 James Howell, *Clerk*
 Edward Cruz, *Member*

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby respectfully submit my annual report for the year 1988:

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| Number of dairy cows over two years | 205 |
| Number of dairy heifers one to two years | 63 |
| Number of dairy calves under one year | 60 |
| Number of dairy bulls | 3 |
| Number of dairy herds | 4 |
| Number of beef heifers one to two years | 1 |
| Number of beef bulls | 5 |
| Number of beef steers | 2 |
| Number of beef herds | 2 |
| Number of horses | 86 |
| Number of ponies | 14 |
| Number of goats | 18 |
| Number of sheep | 12 |
| Number of swine | 20 |
| Number of swine herds | 1 |
| Number of poultry (farms consisting of 25 birds or more) | 2223 |
| Number of poultry flocks | 7 |
| Number of dog bites reported to animal inspector for quarantine | 15 |

Leo E. Moroni
Inspector of Animals

REPORT OF THE PLYMOUTH COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

The Commissioners of the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project are pleased to submit the following report of our activities during 1988.

The Project is a special district created by the State Legislature in 1957, and is now composed of 23 Plymouth County towns, the City of Brockton, and the Town of Cohasset in Norfolk County. The Project is a regional response to a regional problem and provides a way of organizing specialized equipment, specially trained employees, and mosquito control professionals into a single agency with a broad geographical area of responsibility.

1988 was a year of significant challenges. Many of the concepts, equipment, and procedures implemented over the last five years were tested by unusual summer heat and record July rainfall. Trap collections of flood-water mosquitoes were at a ten year high across much of New England. In Plymouth County, efforts aimed at immature larval mosquitoes reduced populations significantly. Follow-up ultra low volume spraying reduced adult populations to tolerable levels in a short time. The technology and procedures that are in place now are far more effective and efficient than those of a decade ago. Special efforts were put forth by the field crews who worked in the excessive heat.

The threat of the mosquito transmitted disease Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) was low in 1988. There was some concern that this season's surge in summer flood-water mosquitoes (*Aedes vexans*) might result in transmission of the virus to people, and some additional spraying was done. Virus was recovered from bird feeding mosquitoes, but no horse or human cases occurred. The recurring problem of EEE in Southeastern Massachusetts continues to ensure cooperation between this Project and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

Other significant developments included an increase in membership. The Town of Kingston joined the regional project on July 1, and began receiving the same services as other member towns. In addition, our systematic trapping program was expanded in all towns beginning July 1, thereby providing more complete information on which to base control decisions. Finally, a specifically designed tracked vehicle has been acquired which makes possible inspections of the more remote and inaccessible areas.

The figures specific to the Town of West Bridgewater are given below. While mosquitoes do not respect town lines, the information given below does provide a tally of the activities which have had the greatest impact on the health and comfort of West Bridgewater residents.

1. Insecticide Application. 5,376 acres were treated using truck mounted sprayers for control of adult mosquitoes. More than one application was made to the same site if mosquitoes reinvaded the area. The first treatments were made in May and the last in September.

Our greatest effort has been targeted at mosquitoes in the larval stage, which can be found in woodland pools, swamps, marshes, and other standing water areas. Inspectors continually gather data on these sites and treat with highly specific larvicides when immature mosquitoes are present. Last year a total of 183 inspections were made to 46 catalogued breeding sites.

1A. Aerial Application. Larviciding woodland swamps by airplane before the leaves come out on the trees continues to be very effective. In West Bridgewater this year we aeri-ally larvicided 400 acres.

Finally, we have been tracking complaint response time, that is the time between notice

of a mosquito problem and response by one of our inspectors. The complaint response time in the Town of West Bridgewater was less than three days.

2. Mosquito Species. Aedes vexans was the dominant mosquito collected in the West Bridgewater trap. Other important mosquitoes collected included Coquillettidia perturbans and Culex restuans.

We encourage citizens or municipal officials to call our office for information about mosquitoes, mosquito-borne diseases, control practices, or any other matters of concern.

REPORT OF THE BRIDGEWATER VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Health care, in particular, home health care is headline news these days. Our national leaders have included health care as a major concern. They emphasize delivery of services, long term health needs and seek sources of funds. Catastrophic health care is on the national agenda. The funding is controversial.

Our programs designed to support good health and physical fitness include three day-time clinics, an evening clinic and a well child clinic. With the growing emphasis on physical fitness we are holding annually a Health and Fitness Fair, where we provide screening tests, a health evaluation and many satellite programs related to fitness. These programs are non-reimbursed for residents of West Bridgewater.

During fiscal year 1987-1988 we have provided the following services:

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| Nursing Visits | 964 |
| Physical Therapy | 184 |
| Medical Social Worker | 3 |
| Home Health Aide | 1328 |
| TOTAL | 2479 |

Community Services have included participation in the Health/Fitness Fair, the Fuel Assistance Program and Cancer Screening. Red Cross Certified Baby Sitting Classes have been conducted. In addition monthly health conferences have been held at Esther Drive and an Evening Health Conference at the Bridgewater Visiting Nurse Association Headquarters for the 18 to 60 year old group and those who cannot attend daytime conferences. 137 clients were seen at these various conferences; 144 at the Health/Fitness Fair and 27 children at the Well Child Clinics.

Non-reimbursed services delivered during the fiscal year had a dollar value of:
\$17,523.00

Contracts have been made with Home Health and Child Care Services, Inc., Rehabilitation Services, Inc., MA Easter Seal Society, Gilmar Associates, Dupre Nursing Associates, Olsten Health Care Services and James Williston, M.Ed., CC-SP, for therapists and home health aides; and agreements with North Atlantic Medical Services and VNAMI Care for sick room equipment and supplies.

Clinics... The professional staff and volunteers from the board of Directors have assisted with the health conferences and clinics for hypertension, lead poisoning, diabetes, glaucoma, influenza and TB Mantoux testing.

Accreditation... The Agency is fully certified by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Health.

Administration... governing the Agency is a volunteer Board of Directors (24) assisted by a volunteer Group of Professional Personnel (17), representing business and professional men and women as well as consumers.

Professional Staff... include Ann P. Kirkpatrick, BSN, Supervisor/Administrator; and the following registered professional nurses: Jeanette Irving, RN, BS, alternate supervisor and senior nurse, Carol Bowen, RN, MEd, Denise Cotter, RN, Diane Glass, BSN and Kathryn Heimerdinger, MSN. Mary Lou Babin serves as secretary and Philip Casey as statistician-billing clerk.

Home Health Aides... Ella Cameron, Patricia Guilfooy, Joanne Johnson, Helen Meuse and Betty Surgens.

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor D. MacCurdy
President

REPORT OF THE SOUTHEAST HUMAN RESOURCE ASSOCIATES

To the Board of Selectmen:

We are requesting funds for support of our outpatient counseling center located at 309 Pleasant Street in Brockton. Our total request for next year is \$1,990. This is the same amount of funding requested in FY'89.

Over the past year our center has provided over 4,000 units of service to residents of West Bridgewater.

During FY'90, we project referrals from West Bridgewater to remain the same. A summary of services is provided below:

Total Units Per Year: 4,077

Individual Therapy Sessions: 1,448

Group Therapy Sessions: 86

Medication Visits: 2,543

Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely,
Anthony Simonelli
Executive Director

REPORT OF THE PLYMOUTH COUNTY RAPE CRISIS CENTER

THE PROGRAM

The Plymouth County Rape Crisis Center is a program of Health Care of Southeastern Mass. which is a private, non-profit agency. The rape crisis center was established ten years ago in response to the need for these services in every community. We at the center struggle to eliminate rape and sexual assault in our communities. All services are free of charge.

SERVICES

The Plymouth County Rape Crisis Center provides an array of services which includes:

24-HOUR HOTLINE: The hotline provides 24-hour counseling to victims and their significant others. (508) 588-TALK.

CRISIS INTERVENTION: Through the hotline, counselors are available 24 hours a day to respond to victims, victim's families, police departments or emergency rooms immediately after an assault. The counselor provides support to the victim and the family to help them regain control of a particularly devastating situation.

INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP COUNSELING: Individual and group counseling are offered to victims and their significant others in order to help them deal with the devastating emotional impact of the rape or sexual assault. Group counseling brings victims together to help them deal with the feelings of isolation and helplessness.

MEDICAL LIAISON: Counselors are trained in emergency protocols for treatment of rape survivors utilized by various community hospitals.

LEGAL LIAISON: Counselors accompany victims to court to provide them the emotional support to follow through with the charges. The court experience can be extremely difficult for the victim. In addition to assisting victims within the court setting, counselors work closely with police departments during the initial stages of a sexual assault investigation.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION: Educational and training programs are offered to schools, churches, social services agencies, police departments, hospitals, and community organizations on rape awareness/prevention, child sexual assault, rape trauma syndrome and other related issues.

THE NEED: One out of every two women will be raped or be a victim of attempted rape in their lifetime.

One out of every seven males are sexually assaulted by the age of eighteen.

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING

To the Board of Selectmen:

The Report of the West Bridgewater Council on Aging for 1988 is being presented as seen through the eyes of one of our senior citizens.

“Hello, my name is John and I’ve lived in this town for over fifty years now. I’ve been a widower for over five years. I feel pretty good about myself. Don’t tell people my age, but I guess you could say I’m over seventy and then some. My health has been pretty good; but recently I’ve been to the doctor for some minor aches and pains. Feel real lucky that I’ve been able to manage to keep up my house and not to have to rely on my children. I have two; both with families of their own. One lives in Hanover and the other in Vermont. I don’t like to bother them much with my problems.

Anyway, about five years ago, I was at home watching television as usual when I got a call from Eleanor Lindsay at the Senior Center. She was an outreach worker then and invited me to the noon luncheon served at the senior center located in the former Spring Street School. I didn’t go that first time; but “Ellie” called back a week later; and after hearing about the card games and tournaments, I called back and made my reservation with Kathleen Fenstermaker, a Senior Aide who handles the reservations for the Monday, Wednesday and Friday luncheons. I met a lot of nice folks that first day who really made me feel welcome.

In the past few years a lot has happened at the senior center. From just a very few in number our volunteer crew has increased to over sixty people. In the kitchen on meal days and on special occasions, Arthur Gianunzio helps our staff cooks Mary Ann Klock and Marjorie Thompson by operating our new dishwasher. Joan Johnson, our new Director of Elder Services for the Council on Aging told us that it was paid for through a Grant they obtained from the Area Agency on Aging, Old Colony Planning Council. You should see it; over \$7,000; it really is state of the art equipment. Our kitchen is fully equipped now! Arthur also volunteers as our chief maintenance man doing many repairs and work projects to save the COA considerable dollars in the course of the year.

Oh yes, one of the very first people to come forward and greet me was Gordon Ross, a retired WB school custodian. Gordon has been a faithful volunteer since the first week we opened. He works really hard to help us keep clean and tidy. His volunteer efforts have been a most valuable asset and have contributed greatly to our success.

Each lunch day there are about sixteen people who cannot carry their meal trays to the table. Gordon Ross, Angelo D’Amato, Lionel “Red” Nault, Henry Bishop, Pearl Nelson and Arthur Gianunzio see to it that the trays are delivered promptly to each person. Robert Berry has also volunteered as our assistant chef for special occasions as well as leading in Grace at meal times. He has been our unofficial chaplain since we opened our doors. He also lends words of encouragement to our sick and shut-in.

After lunch we have regular card games. A nice lady by the name of Gertrude Burrill sees to it that everything is set up and ready to go. Before we know it, it is time to go home. As I no longer drive, I must make use of the volunteer drivers who help so many of us to participate in the activities of the center. I ride with George McGuire, an Elder Service Corps Volunteer; he not only helps me in and out of the car but also delivers home-delivered meals to two of my neighbors who are in failing health. George is incredible! He puts in over 28 hours a week providing transportation to the center’s activities, shopping, medical appointments, barber and beauty visits, etc. He has become a trusted friend and helper to many of our seniors. Some others who faithfully provide transportation are John Rosnell, H. Kingman

Burrill, Dorothy Holmgren, Frank Donahue, Ellen Benson, and Hazel Glinski. So many people helping people!

Our most popular activity is Tuesday Afternoon Bingo. This event is coordinated by Kathleen Fenstermaker who acts as our caller. The COA has a special license for this popular event from the Mass Lottery Commission. Average attendance is about 90 each week. Several of our sister COA's send about twenty guests; taking turns each week. Eleanor Lindsay helps a hearing disabled participant to play the game and Phyllis Woodward, Eleanor Leonard, Thelma MacKenzie, Lillian Andrade and Hazel Glinski help in checking cards and with the refreshments.

Every few months the FED releases surplus food items. If we seniors meet the income guidelines, we can qualify to receive the foods. The COA provides this service for any townspersons who meet the FED income guidelines regardless of age. Kathleen Fenstermaker coordinates this activity and is ably assisted by volunteers Arthur Gianunzio, Frank Donahue, and Manny Brown.

My health has been causing me some little concern lately. Kathleen, who is a retired nurse, checks our blood pressures for us as needed or requested. She checks mine weekly and encourages me to follow my doctor's orders. An important addition to the services we can have is the Dial-A-Bat transportation program for seniors. I can schedule my doctor's visits at my convenience so I don't have to bother my neighbors and friends. It's a great feeling to be in charge of my own life. Why I can even go on the Minibus trips. The Minibus Program is funded through a Consortium Grant of which West Bridgewater is a participant. This program enables us non-driving seniors to participate in socialization opportunities.

My doctor tells me if I continue to make progress I can join the WEE BEE Walking club in the Spring. Ann Gillis is one of its leaders, along with Gloria Owens. They have about 20 members and the group is growing. Paul Revere Brown, one of our talented WB artists, created our WEE BEE Logo. His creation helped us gain the sponsorship of the Bridgewater Savings Bank as the Walking Club's corporate sponsor. Russell Kingman, President of the Bridgewater Savings Bank presented the WEE BEES a check for \$300 to help purchase sweatshirts with their new logo on them. He also hosted a Coffee for the club members and Director Joan Johnson, who is also a member. They even got their pictures in the newspapers.

We have a Thrift Shop that is open every day from 9 AM to 1 PM. Edna DeCoutu and Hazel Grover serve as our sales ladies and assist prospective buyers. Edna has also provided the seniors with a special treat on a weekly basis. She brings in an assortment of pastries for snacks for coffee breaks and those who drop in for a visit or chat.

I do know one thing, however. The folks who have special dietary needs such as diabetics are provided with special sugar free desserts. As a general rule, the cooks try very hard to provide food choices that are nutritious and good for us. But as with any diverse group, some of our seniors have developed food tastes and preferences that we cannot always accommodate. I do know that the services of a dietician are consulted on a regular basis. All in all, the food is plentiful and good.

I hear the COA is planning to begin offering Social Day Care for those seniors who need the opportunity for socialization and for the caregivers who need respite from 24 hour a day care. This is a much needed service. Already we have had several inquiries about this program which is funded through Medicare, Medicaid or private sources.

When I think about it we really have a lot to offer. We have day line dancing with Instructor Alpee Surette; also an evening class; ceramics, crafts, card games, special movies on our VCR and big screen television. A special, caring group of ladies called the

Crafty Whims make favors for our shut-ins on a regular basis. And I hear that the WB Arts Lottery Council has given the COA a Grant for their theater group. And how about the Grant the WB Library obtained to provide us with special library equipment at the senior center. And our neighbors from Matfield Woods Theater Group are putting on a benefit performance of the Matfield Follies for the COA in April.

So many people! The Nursery Schools at the Spring Street School come down to the luncheons every now and then and sing their songs. The little ones are so cute. Many of us have come to know Dr. Ronald Gerhardt as a caring, considerate and capable administrator. He has been extremely supportive of our activities and programs. Leo Moroni and his custodial staff have gone out of their way to be helpful. I've probably missed a lot to tell you; but one thing I do know. This Senior Center is about life; how to enjoy it and how to live it, even at our 'tender' years. There's a lot still to be done, and I'm told that the COA always welcomes new hands, old ones and young ones. Thanks for listening."

The Council on Aging thanks all who have supported our efforts to help each senior to live their lives with dignity and the opportunity to make their own choices regarding how they live. We believe strongly in our commitment to enabling senior citizens to maintain independence of life. Our social services and crisis intervention under the direction of Joan Johnson maintain a high degree of quality service; our outreach provided by staff person Dorothy Kehlor is top notch; our Senior Aides Kathleen Fenstermaker and Eleanor Lindsay bring life experience and a sense of contemporary interaction to the seniors as they are seniors themselves. Our staff is caring and skilled. It is a pleasure for your COA to offer a complete range of social services, activities, trips, and educational programs to the seniors of our community.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth I. Burgess, *Chairman*
Marjorie MacDonald, *Vice-Chairman*
Mildred Lucier, *Secretary*
Anna Brown, *Treasurer*
Associate Members:
Eleanor Lindsay
Kathleen Fenstermaker
Edwin Grover
Kenneth Hollis

Robert Bolger
Samuel Feinberg
Virginia Michael
Doris Sandrock
David Cohen
Lloyd Sears
Ann Gillis
Julio Migliorini

REPORT OF THE VETERAN'S SERVICES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

In the course of the year, six veterans or dependents of a veteran were assisted with financial or medical assistance. Twenty five veterans or dependents were assisted with other various services.

Refunds in the amount of \$695.41 were received from Social Security reimbursements. These refunds are turned in to the town Treasurer upon receipt.

Two veterans requested copies of their Discharge papers which were acquired by a phone call to the Boston office, V.A. records division. Also assisted three widows to apply for V.A. Pensions.

The quarterly computer reports were sent to our main office in Boston to check for accuracy of information given by veterans or dependents of veterans receiving benefits from this office.

Respectfully submitted,
Armen Amerigian, *Veterans Agent*

REPORT OF SELF-HELP INCORPORATED

Self Help, Inc. is greater Brockton's and Attleboro's anti-poverty agency dedicated to improving the quality of life of limited income individuals and families, and making all segments of the community responsive to the needs of the limited income, disadvantaged and minority.

During the program year ending September 30, 1988, Self Help received a total funding of \$11.5M and provided 492,328 direct services to the area's limited income individuals and families.

220 West Bridgewater residents received 220 direct services totalling \$83,197 during the program year.

The total funding of \$11,438,433 does not tell the real value of human services delivered to the area as a whole. Self Help's funding enabled us to mobilize an additional \$1,190,466 of other community resources such as Commonwealth Service Corp and local cities and town contributions as well as volunteers. The gross volume of Self Help during the past program year was approximately \$12.9 million.

Self Help currently employs 250 individuals, many of whom are limited income and minorities.

We feel that the program year 10/1/87 to 9/30/88 was a successful one for Self Help, Inc. and very helpful to our limited income population. We thank the area's Mayors, Boards of Selectmen, town volunteers and your representative to our Board of Directors, Mr. Donald Shurtleff, for helping to make our program year a success.

Sincerely,
Ulysses G. Shelton, Jr.
Executive Director

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Honorable Selectmen:

Two issues predominated in 1988 — the development of the new library and search for staff.

The Building Committee, comprising of three Trustees and three off-board members, pursued the development of the preliminary plans with Gaffney Architects and the engagement of a builder. A contract was signed by the Selectmen with Consalvo and Son on 7 September, ground was broken on 17 September, and construction begun soon thereafter.

The Massachusetts Library Construction bill was enacted in late 1988, and a series of regional meetings followed this year, all of which the Trustees attended. The application involved many hours of research, consultation with the architects, and compilation; it was overseen by our Chairman with assistance from the Library Director, the Staff, the Trustees, and the Selectmen's Office.

Our plans were in all respects adequate to meet the application requirements. However, the number of libraries throughout the state competing for grants (nearly a hundred) may well reduce the amount of individual awards. The regulations stipulate that local fund-raising be

part of the eligibility for grant monies. Our campaign will begin in the spring of 1989, the proceeds to provide furnishings and other needed items not eligible for grant reimbursement.

The Trustees have assessed for budget purposes the needs in staff, utilities, and maintenance for the new building, scheduled to open in late 1989. While utilities and maintenance costs will increase in a separate building, staff poses no problem at this time. Use of the new facility by the public, estimated in some statistical studies as often rising by 70%, may indicate future increase in children's and reference staffing.

In August, Sylvia Kostecki was appointed to the Board, following the resignation of Sarah Howard.

Our former Director, Elaine DeMarco, resigned 9 September to take a better-paying job in the field of school librarianship. Marilyn Raleigh, after eighteen years of service, resigned 31 December for a position at the State House, throwing us again into the job market. Search resulted in the hiring of Beth Roll, MLS, as Director on 30 November. After favorable performance reviews, the decision was made to fill Mrs. Raleigh's position by upgrading the positions of the existing staff.

The Friends of the Library continue their support through book sales and their annual membership drive. They have again sponsored special programs for children; these are much appreciated.

The Trustees wish to thank the Library Staff, especially the Director, the Selectmen, and the Administrative Assistant for their help with the building project. We also thank our patrons for their increased use of the collection and services, and for their recognition that a town must grow, not only in houses and businesses built, but in its public image and quality of life.

Respectfully submitted,
James Grandfield, *Chairman*
Paul Galvin, *Vice-Chairman*
Helen Millet, *Secretary*
Cheryl Kennedy
Sylvia Kostecki
Wayne Legge

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR

To the Trustees of the Public Library,

The West Bridgewater Public Library has come a long way in its history from December 1878 when Francis E. Howard helped to establish the new Public Library. From a rented room in the Post Office, to the Howard Seminary Building, to the former Center Primary School, to the current facility attached to the High School on West Center Street, Mr. Howard's proposition has become an integral part of West Bridgewater life. Now that the groundbreaking has occurred on the new building at 80 Howard Street, and the concrete footings and foundation walls have been poured, the new Library is becoming a reality that will expand library services presently hampered by physical limitations. The fulfillment of hopes that has been planned for and worked toward for many years by the Board, Library staff, and the Library's many friends is coming to fruition. The Library can grow to be a more dynamic and viable asset to the community.

As I am the new Director since November 28 after the September resignation of Elaine DeMarco, I can summarize events for the Library during 1988.

The Mass. Board of Library Commissioners has awarded the Library a \$6201 (LSCA Title I) grant to improve library services to senior citizens at the JOY Center. At the release of these funds in 1989 the Library will acquire new shelving and audio cassette players for the library room at the JOY Center and provide a solid and up-to-date Large Print book and audio cassette tape collection for rotation up to the JOY Center. The Public Library is proud to be able to cooperate with the JOY Center to increase services to a large segment of our community.

The writing of the application for the grant for LSCA Title II New Construction Funds was completed in December by the Trustees, Director and staff, architect, and Town Officials for presentation to the Board of Library Commissioners in Boston in early January 1989.

Our new Children's Librarian is Debbie Rich. Since January she has presented weekly story time sessions, craft programs, special programs, and reading club parties. During the summer the Library offered an eight week Summer Reading Program in which 60 children participated. Special summer programs included "Having Fun with Fossils and Dinosaurs" slide/talk presentation and a magician specializing in disappearing tricks. This program attracted a record 175 children to the Library.

After 18 1/2 years of service Marilyn Raleigh left the employ of the Library in December as Senior Technician and Acting Director. Special Thanks to Marilyn for her dedicated years of service to the Library.

The Library's participation as a subregional library in the Automated Bristol Library Exchange (ABLE) provides patrons with books from many Mass. libraries and current reference information from a variety of computer databases. Inter-library loans fulfilled in 1988 were 565, up over 484 in 1987, showing the greater demand for materials for book reports, subject term papers, and pleasure reading.

The Friends of the Library supplied passes to three cultural institutions during the year: the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, the Harvard Museums of Natural History, and Plimoth Plantation. These passes have been much enjoyed by the patrons. The Friends sponsored the ongoing book sale, and the following programming at the Library: flower arranging demonstration, two travelogue/slide presentations, cooking with herbs demonstration, an evening with Dorothy Kavka from the Brockton Enterprise, an evening with actor M. Harold as Edgar Allen Poe, and an evening with Marcia Perlmutter portraying author Laura Ingalls Wilder. An invitation is extended to all townspeople to become a part of the Friends group. Please call the Library for information concerning this fine organization.

Thanks to the many patrons who have donated gift books to the Library throughout the year.

Thanks to the loyal and dedicated employees of the Library and to everyone in the community who continues to support the growth of their Public Library.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth A. Roll
Library Director

REPORT OF THE ARTS LOTTERY COUNCIL

The Arts Lottery Council consists of no less than 5 and no more than 25 appointed by the Selectmen under the provisions of G.L. Chapter 10, Section 35C to administer funds allocated to the Town from the Massachusetts Arts Lottery, applications for grants from the Council are available at the Town Clerk's office and at the Library, twice annually the Local Council receives funds from the State Council and every six months the Council acts on applications submitted to it.

Some of the projects funded by the Council last year were Children Theater, Story Telling, Free Passes to Plimoth Plantation, Museum of Fine Arts, Harvard University Museum. Passes may be picked up at the Public Library.

Membership on the Council currently consists of: Paul R. Brown, Jean Freitas, Karen Moran, Theodore Nystrom, Carolyn LePage and Sandra White.

The Council is in need of additional members and anyone interested should contact the Selectmen, the appointing authority.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul R. Brown
Chairman

Members of the West Bridgewater Arts Lottery Council

Paul R. Brown
Jean Freitas
Karen Moran

Theodore Nystrom
Carolyn LePage
Sandra White

REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The West Bridgewater Recreation Committee and Staff members of the 1988 Summer Recreation Program wish to report on the success of the past summer season. Under the guidance and assistance of Director Doreen Langer and Assistant Director Jeffrey Metcalf, and four program aides, we were able to run a varied and interesting program.

All West Bridgewater children in grades 1 thru 8 were invited to attend the daily activities, from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, offered at the Howard School. The Summer Program runs for 6 weeks, starting on the first Monday after the Fourth of July.

A diversified program for all age groups and skill levels, including supervised playground activities, quiet games, contest, and arts & crafts. Once a week there is a field trip and this activity is one of the most favorite. This year attendance incentives were introduced and worked out well. Also, each counselor knew all of his group level, and the children knew who to check in with when they arrived in the morning. The Recreation Committee aimed at tightening up the chances of any little wanderers occurring.

The Recreation Committee and its Staff would like to express our gratitude and appreciation to the townspeople, the Police and School Departments, the Town Hall and the children of West Bridgewater for their continued support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,
Colleen B. Lawrence
Susan Pye
Bernice Breer
Joseph Gareri
Mary Lou Jenness

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

In accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth, Chapter 128, the Trustees for Plymouth County Cooperative Extension are empowered to receive, on behalf of the County, money appropriated by any town, or by the Federal Government for carrying out the provision of the Law, under which they are appointed.

Agents have made contacts during the past year in every community, either by public meetings, individual visits, group discussions and demonstrations, in attempting to assist the needs of the citizens toward helping to solve management problems, better living, and better community services. Cooperative Extension staff have been ably assisted by many local volunteer leaders.

A total expense of \$125.00 was incurred during the year for purchase of material needed in carrying on the various Extension programs. The appropriation made by your town was used for residents of the town and expended as follows:

EXPENSE — 1987-88

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| Books and Manuals Purchased for Town | \$10.00 |
| Town Director's Expense | |
| Bulletins, Paper, etc. | 40.00 |
| 4-H School Programs | 60.00 |
| 4-H & Home Ec Leader Expense | 15.00 |
| TOTAL | <u>\$125.00</u> |

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

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| Current Appropriation (1988-89) | \$150.00 |
| Suggested Appropriation for 1989-90 | 150.00 |

Respectfully submitted,
TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION
Mary May Brady, *Director*

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The West Bridgewater Historical Commission was faced with a difficult challenge regarding the inventory of historical places. By vote of the Town Meeting, money was appropriated funds to complete the remaining 65 forms. Bids were reviewed and the award went to Mary Schwartz of the Boston Universities Preservation Studies program.

This represented the first time that a professional had viewed the Town with an eye toward the inventory. After an initial tour of the Town, the Historical Commission was faced with a critical decision. Instead of the expected 65 forms remaining it was suggested that an additional 200 forms was more appropriate. The major difference is that although some structures are plentiful in town like side hall entry farm houses and the hip roof block colonials of the late eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, this type of structure is relatively rare throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. In the interest of preserving the historical assets of our Town the decision was made to complete the higher number. The study completed this year was therefore directed toward identifying basic architectural designs and going into extensive architectural detail on all of these historical structures in the Howard, River, South, Forest, Cross and South Elm Street areas. This would provide a basis for the completion of the rest of the forms. Copies of the initial survey are available at the Public Library.

The Historical Commission is now completing the remaining forms through a concentrated effort at the regular monthly meetings. Since the significance of many of the new forms are architectural in content rather than historic, progress is expected to be relatively easy to maintain. The Historical Commission would like to thank the Town for its support of this project.

Respectfully submitted,
Lawrence Conant, *Chairman*
Lucia Foye Marcotte
Susan Cross
Philip Anderson

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OFFICE HOURS AND MEETINGS

TOWN HALL

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| Assessors | Daily 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 1st and 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. |
| Board of Health | 1st and 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. |
| Planning Board | 1st and 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. |
| Selectmen | Daily 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Regular Meetings: Tuesday twice monthly 7:00 p.m. |
| Tax Collector & Treasurer | Daily 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 1st and 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. |
| Town Clerk | Daily 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 1st and 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. |
| Veterans' Services | Daily 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday |

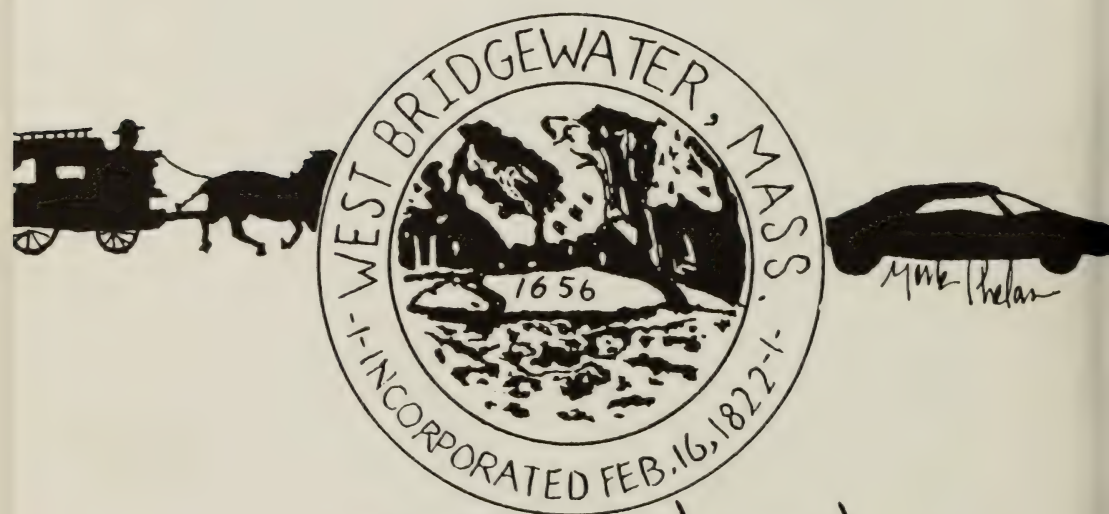
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| Water Department Cyr Street | Daily 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 1st and 3rd Wednesday Evening, 7:30 p.m. |
| School Superintendent's Office Spring Street School | Daily 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. |
| School Committee High School Library | Regular Meetings: Monday twice monthly 7:15 p.m. |
| Board of Library Trustees Public Library | 2nd Wednesday, 7:15 p.m. |

TOWN HALL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

CONNECTING ALL TOWN OFFICES
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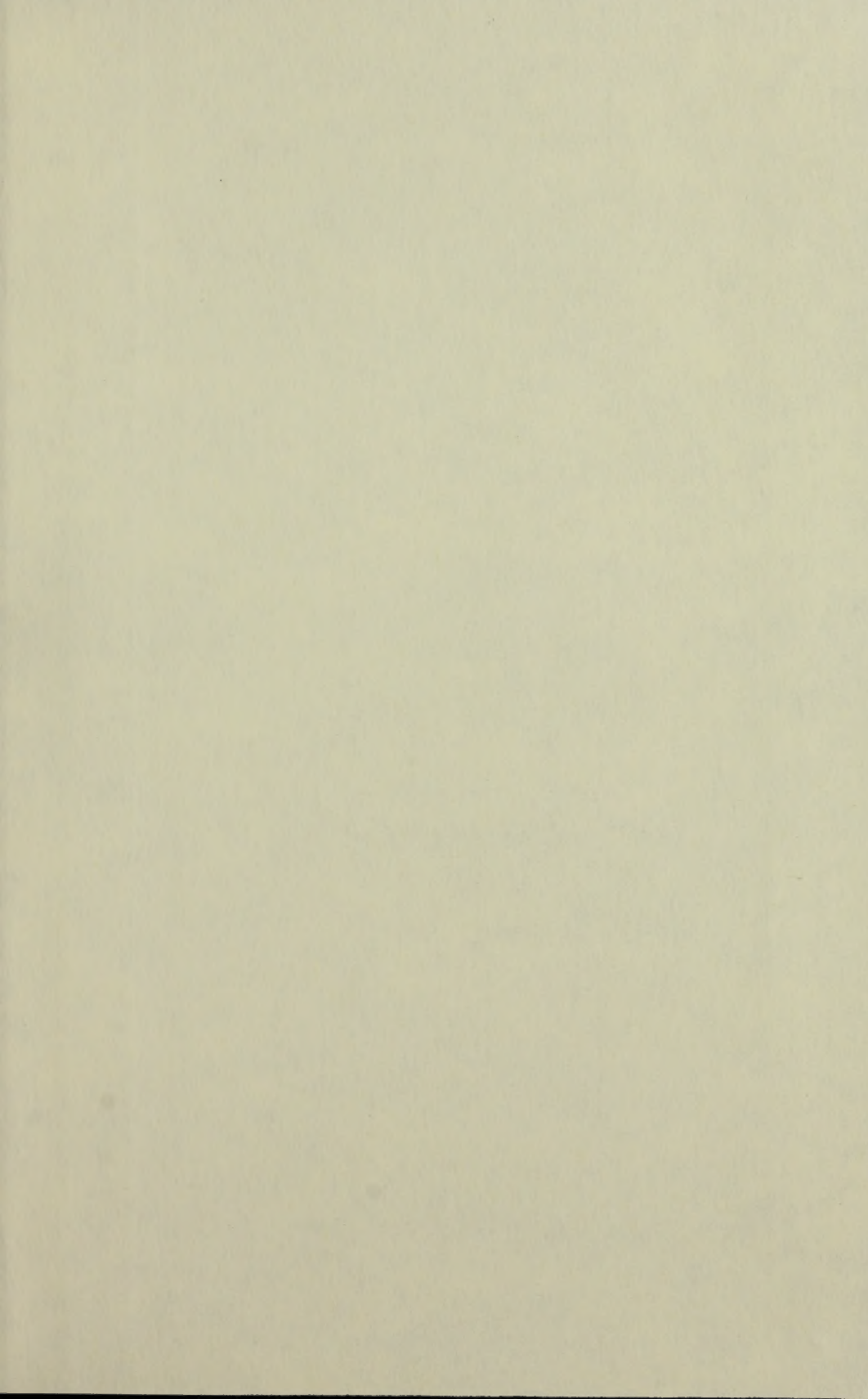
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| SELECTMEN | 586-1394 |
| TOWN CLERK | 588-4820 |
| TREASURER/COLLECTOR | 588-4854 |
| ASSESSORS | 588-6740 |
| HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT | 588-4922 |
| WATER DEPARTMENT | 583-0813 |
| FIRE DEPARTMENT | |
| ONLY in case of fire — call | 586-3232 |
| (Give name, address and type of fire) | |
| For permits to burn — call | 586-4137 |
| FOR AMBULANCE SERVICE | 586-3232 |
| POLICE DEPARTMENT | |
| Emergency | 586-2525 |
| Routine | 586-2528 |
| DOG OFFICER | 584-8998 |

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